

## STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

### Single Oak Estates

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## **SUMMARY OF LID GUIDELINE COMPLIANCE: TM 5488 RPL1**

The current project is designed to use decentralized, site based planning and design strategies to manage the quantity and quality of stormwater runoff.

The proposed project design seeks to maximize infiltration into natural or man-made pervious features in order to preserve the natural subsurface hydrologic condition. The project design also seeks to preserve the natural surface water runoff patterns to the maximum extent practical and will not significantly alter drainage patterns on the site. The storm water discharge points will not divert runoff from existing conditions.

The footprint of compacted soils and impervious area has been minimized to the maximum extent practical through the use of private road standards, reduced pad grading and the use of shared driveways.

Drainage from proposed impervious areas are directed into pervious areas to maximize retention. The new home sites will be served by a private road as well as the existing frontage roads and utilize shared driveways where feasible. Drainage facilities for the home site pads and driveways include landscaped berms and swales, brow ditches, storm drains, spillways and rip rap. Portions of the pad and driveway drainage will be directed into the street drainage system and portions of the pads will drain into natural drainages or man-made bioswales. Roof downspouts will be directed into pervious areas and rain barrels will be incorporated into the design of the homes. Drainage facilities for the private road as well as the frontage road improvements include filtered storm drains, berms, brow ditches, spillways and rip-rap. Street runoff will also be directed into a man-made bioswale.

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## LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID)

Each numbered item below is a LID requirement of the WPO. Please check the box(s) under each number that best describes the Low Impact Development BMP(s) selected for this project.

Table 8

1.	Conserve natural Areas, Soils, and Vegetation-County LID Handbook 2.2.1
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2.	Minimize Disturbance to Natural Drainages-County LID Handbook 2.2.2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Set-back development envelope from drainages
	Restrict heavy construction equipment access to planned green/open space areas
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3.	Minimize and Disconnect Impervious Surfaces (see 5) -County LID Handbook 2.2.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clustered Lot Design
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Description:
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Not feasible. State Reason:
4.	Minimize Soil Compaction-County LID Handbook 2.2.4
	Restrict heavy construction equipment access to planned green/open space areas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Re-till soils compacted by construction vehicles/equipment
	Collect & re-use upper soil layers of development site containing organic materials
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Description: <i>REDUCE DEVELOPMENT FOOTPRINT THROUGH THE USE OF PRIVATE ROAD MINIMIZE PAD GRADING, STANDARDS AND SHARED DRIVEWAYS.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Not feasible. State Reason:
5.	Drain Runoff from Impervious Surfaces to Pervious Areas-County LID Handbook 2.2.5

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LID Street & Road Design	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Curb-cuts to landscaping - BIOSWALES
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural Swales - BIOSWALES
<input type="checkbox"/>	Concave Median
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cul-de-sac Landscaping Design
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LID Parking Lot Design - NA	
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LID Driveway, Sidewalk, Bike-path Design	
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LID Building Design	
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LID Landscaping Design	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reuse of Native Soils
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Smart Irrigation Systems
<input type="checkbox"/>	Street Trees
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**LEGEND**

ON-LOT MEASURES

INLET AND CULVERT WITH ENERGY DISSIPATOR OUTLET PROTECTION (SS-10/D-40)

INLET PROTECTION (SC-10)

STREET DRAINAGE

BROW DITCHES (RSD D-75 - TYPE A)

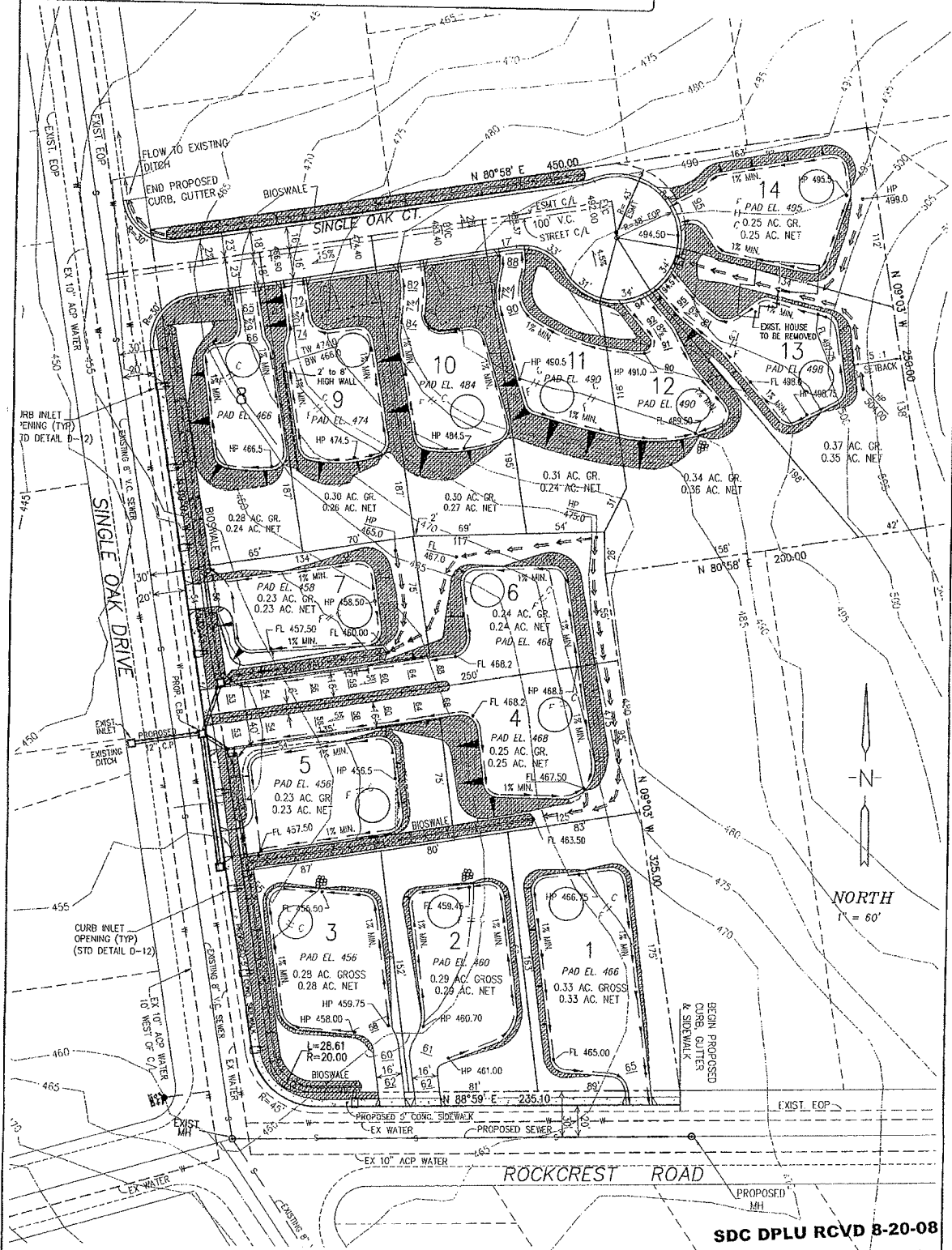
HYDROSEEDING OR BONDED FIBER MATRIX (SS3 OR SS-4)

14% NATURAL BIOSWALE

TC-30

VEGETATED SWALE

# SINGLE OAK ESTATES



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 SHEETS

## POST CONSTRUCTION BMP PLAN

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# **1 INTRODUCTION**

## **1.0 Project Description**

The proposed development is located approximately one-quarter mile East of Wintergardens Boulevard, between Rockcrest Road and Lemon Crest Drive in Lakeside, California. See Figures 1 and 2. The site is 4.35 acres in area and is accessed from Single Oak Drive.

Proposed development includes 14 single-family residential lots (including one existing home site) over 4.35 acres. Proposed lot sizes range from 10,000 to 14,000 square feet in area. Graded pad sizes range in area from between approximately 6,300 to 13,500 square feet.

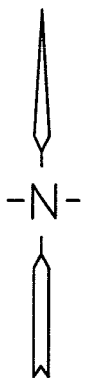
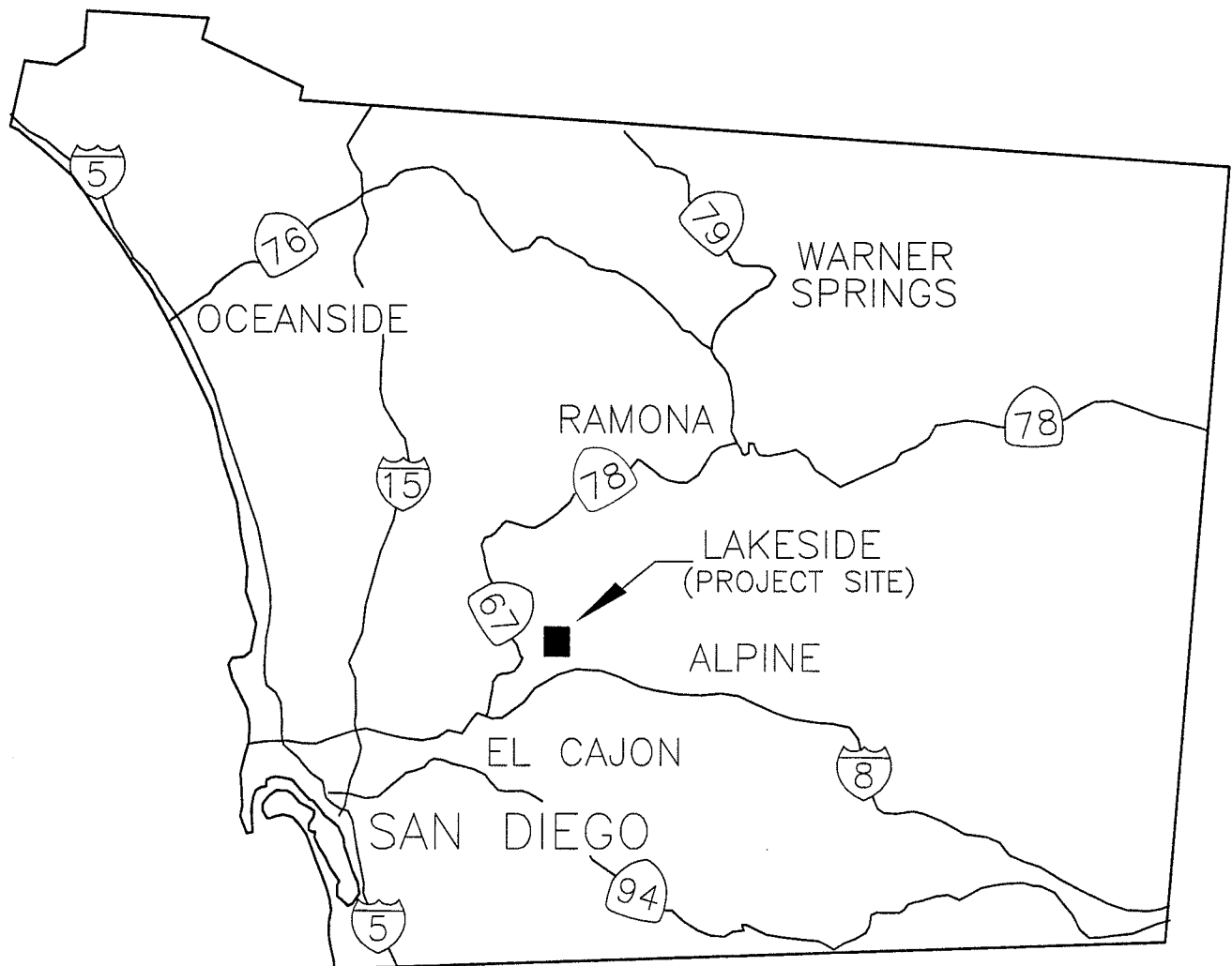
Drainage facilities for the home site pads, driveways, and private road include storm drains, landscaped earthen berms, Bioswales, and concrete spillways and ditches. Riprap energy dissipaters will be placed at all outlets to reduce the potential for erosion.

Approximately 1.2 acres of the site would be covered with impervious material, including roadways, driveways and rooftops (28%). Approximately 2.5 acres of the site will be graded and landscaped with lawns, gardens and slope vegetation (57%).

## **1.1 Topography and Land Use**

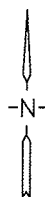
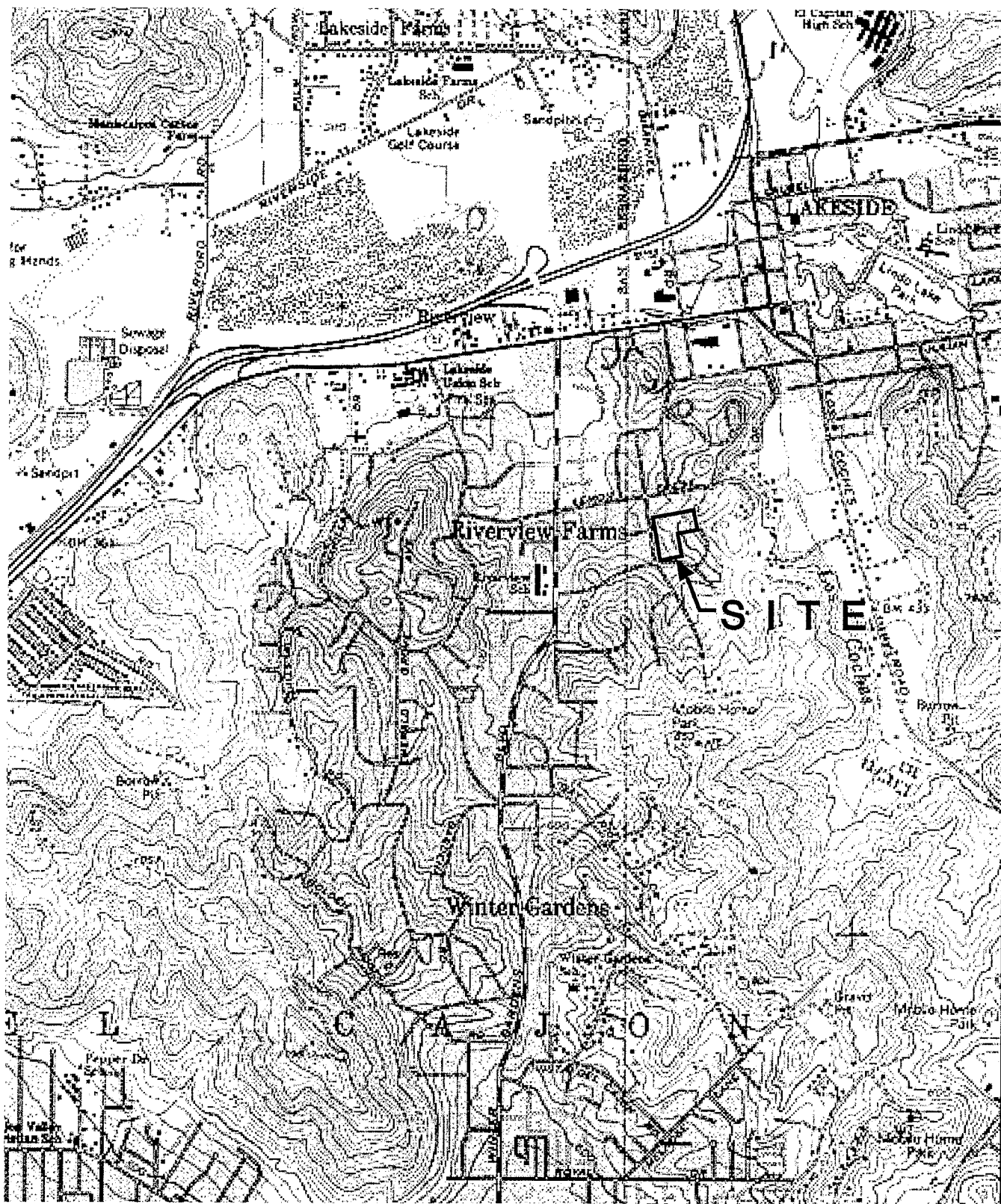
The topography of the site is characterized by an upland area gently sloping from the east to west. Elevations within the property range from a low of 453 along the westerly boundary, to a high of 510 along the easterly boundary of the site.

Vegetation on the site consists of ornamental landscaping and areas of open field. There is an existing single family home located on the site. The surrounding properties are single family residential and rural residential in nature.



NORTH  
NOT TO SCALE

FIGURE 1 - REGIONAL LOCATION MAP



1" = 2,000 FT

FIGURE 2 - USGS QUAD SHEET

## **1.2 Hydrologic Unit Contribution**

The site is located within the San Diego Basin Hydraulic Unit Number 7.12 as designated in the California Water Quality Control Plan.

The project is located in the Santee Hydrologic Subarea (907.12) of the Lower San Diego Hydrologic Area which is a component of the San Diego Hydrologic Unit. The Santee Subarea is approximately 25,033 acres in area and the project site represents less than 0.1% of the Hydrologic Unit area. The watershed drains northerly into the San Diego River, which flows westerly, making its way to the Pacific Ocean. The site lies approximately 20 miles upstream of the Pacific Ocean.

Runoff from the majority of the site drains westerly across Single Oak Drive, into an existing storm drain inlet located on the western edge of Single Oak Drive. The drainage then discharges into an existing ditch which runs westerly through private property. The ditch flow is conveyed through an existing subdivision which directs the drainage to Lemon Crest Drive where it enters a roadside ditch and runs westerly down to Wintergardens Boulevard, entering the existing storm drain pipe system carrying runoff northerly approximately three thousand feet to the San Diego River.

Runoff from the northerly portion of the site drains westerly to Single Oak Drive, then runs northerly along Single Oak Drive three hundred feet to Lemon Crest Drive where it enters a roadside ditch and runs westerly 1100 feet down to Wintergardens Boulevard, entering the storm drain pipe system carrying runoff northerly approximately three thousand feet to the San Diego River.

The proposed project will not significantly alter drainage patterns on the site. The stormwater discharge points will not significantly alter the amount or rate of runoff from existing conditions. There will not be a significant increase to the amount of runoff, as demonstrated in the report titled, "Hydrologic Analysis for Single Oak Estates" dated March, 2006. No detrimental increase in erosion or sedimentation will occur as a result of the proposed project. Storm drainage improvements and slope protection will be placed at all discharge points.

The report titled, "Hydrologic Analysis for Single Oak Estates" dated March, 2006, has delineated the drainage basins which would be affected by the proposed project. The study establishes the existing and post development runoff for each basin for a 100 year storm occurrence. The basins are established topographically from their initial points upstream, down to the point of concentration where each drainage leaves the subject property.

**Table 1.1: Comparison of Existing and Post-Development Drainage Discharges**

	Existing			Proposed		
	Area A (acres)	Runoff Coefficient ("C")	Discharge Q100 (cfs)	Area A (acres)	Weighted Runoff Coefficient ("C")	Discharge Q100 (cfs)
Sub-Basin A	6.23	0.32	9.47	5.46	.40	8.98
B	4.52	0.41	8.81	5.29	.41	8.89

## 2 WATER QUALITY ENVIRONMENT

### 2.1 Beneficial Uses

The beneficial uses for the hydrologic unit are included in Tables 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3. These tables have been extracted from the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin.

**MUN-Municipal and Domestic Supply:** Includes uses of water for the community, military, or individual water supply systems including, but not limited to, drinking water supply.

**PROC-Industrial Process Supply:** Includes uses of water for industrial activities that depend primarily on water quality.

**AGR-Agricultural Supply:** Includes use of water for farming, horticulture, or ranching including, but not limited to, irrigation, stock watering, or support of vegetation for range grazing.

**IND-Industrial Services Supply:** Includes uses of water for industrial activities that depend primarily on water quality including, but not limited to, mining, cooling water supply, hydraulic conveyance, gravel washing, fire protection, or oil well re-pressurization.

**REC1-Contract Recreation:** Includes uses of water in recreational activities involving body contact with water, where ingestion of water is reasonably possible. These uses include, but are not limited to, swimming, wading, water-skiing, skin and SCUBA diving, surfing, white water activities, fishing, or use of natural hot springs.

**REC2-Non Contact Recreation:** Includes the uses of water for recreational involving proximity to water, but not normally involving body contact with water, where ingestion of water is reasonably possible. These uses include, but not limited to, picnics, sunbathing, hiking, camping, boating, tide pool and marine life study, hunting sightseeing and aesthetic enjoyment in conjunction with the above activities.

**WARM- Warm Freshwater Habitat:** Includes uses of water that support warm water ecosystems including, but not limited to, preservation or enhancement of aquatic habitats, vegetation, fish, or wildlife, including invertebrates.

**COLD- Cold Freshwater Habitat:** Includes uses of water that support cold water ecosystems including, but not limited to, preservation or enhancement of aquatic habitats, vegetation, fish, or wildlife, including invertebrates.

**WILD-Wildlife Habitat:** Includes uses of water that support terrestrial ecosystems including but not limited to preservation and enhancement of terrestrial habitats, vegetation, wildlife, (e.g., mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates), or wildlife water and food sources.

#### 2.1.1 Inland Surface Waters

Inland surface waters have the following beneficial uses as shown on table 2.1. None of these beneficial uses will be impaired or diminish due to the construction and operation of this project.



**Table 2.1: Beneficial Uses for Inland Surface Waters**

Hydrologic Unit Number	MUN	IND	AGR	PROC	REC1	REC2	WARM	COLD	WILD
907.12	+	X	X		X	X	X	X	X

X Existing Beneficial Use

O Potential Beneficial Use

+ Excepted from Municipal

### 2.1.2 Reservoirs and Lakes

Reservoirs and Lakes have the following beneficial uses as shown on table 2.2.

None of these beneficial uses will be impaired or diminish due to the construction and operation of this project.

**Table 2.2: Beneficial Uses for Reservoirs and Lakes**

Hydrologic Unit Number	MUN	AGR	IND	PROC	REC1	REC2	WARM	COLD	WILD	RARE
907.12	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

X Existing Beneficial Use

O Potential Beneficial Use

### 2.1.3 Groundwater

Groundwater beneficial uses includes agricultural and potentially municipal and industrial, as shown on table 2.3. None of these beneficial uses will be impaired or diminish due to the construction and operation of this project.

**Table 2.3: Beneficial Uses for Groundwater**

Hydrologic Unit Number	MUN	AGR	IND	PROC
907.12	X	X	X	X

X Existing Beneficial Use

O Potential Beneficial Use

## 2.2 303(d) Status

According to the California 1998 303d list published by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board, there are no impaired water bodies that are associated with this project.

The project location and watersheds have been compared to the current published 303d list of impaired water bodies and the nearest impaired water body is San Diego

Bay, impaired by Bacteria. San Diego Bay is approximately 20 miles westerly from the project.

### **3 CHARACTERIZATION OF PROJECT RUNOFF**

#### **3.1 Existing and Post - Construction Drainage**

The proposed project will not significantly alter drainage patterns on the site. The storm water discharge points will not divert runoff from existing conditions. New residential lot development will occur over the entire 4.35 acre property. Approximately 1.0 acres of the site would be covered with impervious material, including roadways, driveways and rooftops (23%). Approximately 2.5 acres of the site will be graded and landscaped with lawns, gardens and slope vegetation (57%).

There will not be a significant increase to the amount of runoff, as a result of the proposed change in land use. No detrimental increase in erosion or sedimentation will occur as a result of the proposed project. Storm drainage improvements and slope protection will be placed at all discharge points to reduce the potential for erosion and scour within drainage routes.

A detailed description of the drainage patterns and flows are discussed in the report titled, "Hydrologic Analysis for Single Oak Estates" dated March, 2006. This section is an excerpt from that report. As discussed in that report, ground cover vegetation on the site consists of ornamental landscaping and areas of open field with intermittent rock outcroppings.

Post –construction runoff will be directed into a storm drain system. This system will not divert water from its natural outlet points. The new home sites will be served by a road extending easterly from Single Oak Drive. Drainage facilities for the home site pads and driveways include landscaped berms and swales, brow ditches, vegetated swales and storm drains. Drainage facilities for the road include storm drains, berms and brow ditches/ Street runoff will be directed into natural drainages. The preliminary design of this system is included in the BMP maps.

A summary of the post-construction water quality flows are included in Table 3.1. The flows were developed using the 85th Percentile Precipitation Map developed by the County of San Diego.

**Table 3.1: Post-Construction Water Quality Flows, 85th Percentile Storm Event Calculations**

Basin	Area (acres) ("A")	Runoff Coefficient ("C")	Intensity ("I")	Discharge ("Q") (cfs)
A	5.46	0.40	0.2	0.44
B	5.29	0.41	0.2	0.43

Use ("I") = 0.2" for 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Storm - Entire basin areas are used for calculation, although only approximately 10% of the site is proposed for impervious surfacing.

FLOW BASED BMPs PROPOSED: **YES**

VOLUME BASED BMPs PROPOSED: **NO**

### **3.2 Post Construction Expected Discharges**

There are no sampling data available for the existing site condition. In addition, the project is not expected to generate significant amounts of non-visible pollutants. However, the following constituents are commonly found on similar developments and could affect water quality:

- Sediment water discharge due to construction activities and post construction areas left bare.
- Nutrients from fertilizers
- Trash and debris deposited in drain inlets.
- Hydrocarbons from paved areas.
- Pesticides from landscaping and home use.

### **3.3 Soil Characteristics**

The *USDA's Soil Survey of San Diego Area, California* identifies the soil on the subject property as predominately Hydrologic Group B, consisting of Vista Coarse Sandy 15 to 30 percent slopes. The County of San Diego Hydrology Manual establishes that these soils in an undisturbed condition have a runoff coefficient of 0.25. The project will not have slopes greater than 1.5:1. All slopes will include slope protection for construction and post-construction.

## **4 MITIGATION MEASURES TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY**

To address water quality for the project, BMPs will be implemented during construction and post-construction.

This Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) incorporates Site Design, Source Control and Treatment BMPs to ensure the long term protection of water quality. The type and location of the BMPs are noted on Attachment C.

### **4.1 Construction BMPs**

A detailed description of the construction BMPs will be developed during the Grading Plan and Improvement Plan Engineering. Since the project is in the preliminary development phase only a listing of potential types of BMPs are available. This includes the following:

- Silt Fence
- Fiber Rolls
- Street Sweeping and Vacuuming
- Storm Drain Inlet Protection
- Stockpile Management
- Solid Waste Management
- Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit
- Dewatering Operations
- Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance
- Desilting Basin
- Gravel Bag Berm
- Sandbag Barrier
- Material Delivery and Storage
- Spill Prevention and Control
- Concrete Waste Management
- Water Conservation Practices
- Paving and Grading Operations
- Permanent Revegetation of  
All disturbed uncovered areas
- Erosion Control Mats and Spray-on Applications

Construction BMPs for this project will be selected, constructed, and maintained so as to comply with all applicable ordinances and guidance documents.

### **4.2 Post-Construction BMPs**

Pollutants of concern as noted in section 3 will be addressed through three types of BMP's. These types of BMP's are Site Design, Source Control and Treatment control.

#### **4.2.1 Site Design BMPs**

The goal of Site Design BMPs is to design the project to conserve natural areas and minimize impervious surfaces. The result of this design approach is that the post-development runoff peak flows and velocities do not exceed the natural conditions.

Site design principles incorporated into this project include:

- **Landscape Design**

The incorporation of permanent landscaping into the project design will reduce the potential for soil erosion and will act as a vegetative buffer that will filter out pollutants from storm water runoff. Permanent Landscaping and Irrigation will be installed on all graded areas pursuant to the Landscape and Irrigation plans to be approved by the County of San Diego Landscape Architect. The landscaping will consist of both native and non-native plants as established in the project EIR and approved by the County Landscape Architect. The goal is to achieve plant establishment expeditiously to reduce erosion. The irrigation system for these landscaped areas will be monitored to reduce over irrigation.

#### **4.2.2 Source Control BMP's**

The goal of Source Control BMPs is to establish practices and procedures and incorporate measures designed to prevent runoff pollution.

Source control practices and procedures incorporated into this project include:

- **Energy Dissipaters (Rip-Rap)**

Rip rap energy dissipation reduces the velocities of storm water runoff which minimizes the potential for erosion and also allows for more effective filtration of pollutants.

- **On-Lot Treatment Measures**

On-lot treatment measures can include the installation of bio-retention areas, filter strips and vegetated swales within each lot. Runoff from each home site can be directed into these filtering areas through grading and landscape design. Another on-lot measure includes capturing and directing runoff into holding tanks or barrels.

#### **4.2.3 Treatment Control BMPs**

Post Construction "treatment control" storm water management BMPs provide treatment for storm water runoff from the project site. These measures are intended to provide water quality throughout the life of the project. The proposed treatment control BMPs are classified as Category II pursuant to the County of San Diego "Land Development Guidelines for Stormwater Maintenance".

##### **4.2.3.1 Bio-Filters**

Bio-Filtration strips, also known as vegetated buffer strips, are vegetated sections of land over which storm water flows as overland sheet flow. The biofiltration system proposed for this project utilizes manufactured biofiltration swales.

Biofiltration swales are mainly effective at removing sediment, debris, oils and grease although some dissolved constituents are removed by absorption onto the soil as well. Biofiltration have not been found to be effective in removing nutrients, oxygen demanding substances, pesticides and bacteria; however it is not expected that significant levels of these pollutants will be generated within the project.

#### **4.2.3.1.1 Appropriate Applications and Siting Constraints:**

Swales and strips should be considered wherever site conditions and climate allow vegetation to be established and where flow velocities are not high enough to cause scour.

Even where strips cannot be sited to accept directed sheet flow, vegetated areas provide treatment of rainfall and reduce the overall impervious surface.

#### **Factors affecting Preliminary Design:**

Swales have two design goals: 1) maximize treatment, 2) provide adequate hydraulic function for flood routing, adequate drainage and scour prevention. Treatment is maximized by designing the flow of water through the swale to be as shallow and long as site constraints allow. No minimum dimensions are required for treatment purposes, as this could exclude swales from consideration at some sites. Swales should also be sized as a conveyance system calculated according to County procedures for flood routing and scour.

To maximize treatment efficiency, strips should be designed to be as long (in the direction of flow) and as flat as the site will allow. No minimum lengths or maximum slopes are required for treatment purposes. The area to be used for the strip should be free of gullies or rills that can concentrate overland flow and cause erosion.

Vegetation mixes appropriate for various climates and locations should be developed by the landscape architect. Attachment "D" includes preliminary design factors for bio-filtration.

**INSERT TABLE 3.3.1**

## **5 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

### **5.1 Landscaping**

The operational and maintenance needs of the proposed landscaping are:

- Vegetation management to maintain plant species (weeding and trimming).
- Irrigation
- Pest Control

Landscape maintenance within the roadway easements and associated slopes will be financed and performed by the homeowners through a private road maintenance agreement. Landscaping within private lot areas will be performed by individual homeowners.

### **5.2 Bio-Filters**

The operational and maintenance needs of a natural Biofiltration swale and associated drainage structures are:

- Vegetation management to maintain adequate hydraulic function and to limit habitat for disease carrying animals.
- Animal and vector Control.
- Periodic sediment removal to optimize performance.
- Trash, debris, grass trimmings, tree pruning, and leaf collection and removal to prevent obstruction of a swale and monitoring equipment.
- Removal of standing water, which may contribute to the development of aquatic plant communities or mosquito breeding areas.
- Removal of graffiti.
- Preventative maintenance on sampling, flow measurement, and associated BMP equipment and structures.
- Erosion and structural maintenance to prevent the loss of soil and maintain the performance of the swale.

### **Inspection Frequency**

The facility will be inspected and inspection visits will be completely documented:

- Once a month at a minimum.
- After every large storm (after every storm monitored or those storms with more than 0.50 inch of precipitation.)
- On a weekly basis during extended periods of wet weather.

### **Aesthetic and Functional Maintenance**

Aesthetic maintenance is important for public acceptance of stormwater facilities.

Functional maintenance is important for performance and safety reasons.

Both forms of maintenance will be combined into an overall Stormwater Management System Maintenance.



## Aesthetic Maintenance

The following activities will be included in the aesthetic maintenance program:

- **Graffiti Removal.** Graffiti will be removed in a timely manner to improve the appearance of a swale and to discourage additional graffiti or other acts of vandalism.
- **Grass Trimming.** Trimming of grass will be done on the swale, around fences, at the inlet and outlet structures, and sampling structures.
- **Weed Control.** Weeds will be removed through mechanical means. Herbicide will not be used because these chemicals may impact the water quality monitoring.

Functional maintenance has two components:

- Preventive maintenance
- Corrective maintenance
- 

### **Preventive Maintenance:**

Preventive maintenance activities to be instituted at a Swale are:

- **Grass mowing.** Vegetation seed mix within the swale is designed to be kept short to maintain adequate hydraulic functioning and to limit the development of faunal habitats
- **Trash and Debris.** During each inspection and maintenance visit to the site, debris and trash removal will be conducted to reduce the potential for inlet and outlet structures and other components from becoming clogged and inoperable during storm events.
- **Sediment Removal.** Sediment accumulation, as part of the operation and maintenance program of a swale and associated drainage, will be monitored once a month during the dry season, after every large storm (0.50 inch), and monthly during the wet season. Specifically, if sediment reached a level at or near plant height or could interfere with flow or operation, the sediment will be removed. If accumulation of debris or sediment is determined to be the cause of decline in design performance, prompt action (i.e. within 10 working days) will be taken to restore the swale to design performance standards. Actions will include using additional fill and vegetation and/or removing accumulated sediment to correct channeling or ponding.
- **Removal of standing water.** Standing water must be removed if it contributes to the development of aquatic plant communities or mosquito breeding areas.
- **Mechanical and electrical components.** Regularly scheduled maintenance will be performed on fences, gates, locks, and sampling and monitoring equipment in accordance with the manufacturers' recommendations. Electronic and mechanical components will be operated during each maintenance inspection to assure continued performance.

- Fertilization and irrigation. The vegetation seed mix has been designed so that fertilization and irrigation is not necessary. Fertilizers and irrigation will not be used to maintain the vegetation.
- Elimination of Mosquito Breeding Habitats. The most effective mosquito control program is one that eliminates potential breeding habitats.

### **Corrective Maintenance:**

Corrective maintenance is required on an emergency or non routine basis to correct problems and to restore the intended operation and safe function of a Swale. Corrective maintenance activities include:

- Removal of Debris and Sediment. Sediment, debris and trash, which impede the hydraulic functioning of a swale and prevent vegetative growth will be removed and properly disposed. Temporary arrangements will be made for handling the sediments until a permanent arrangement is made. Vegetation will be reestablished after sediment removal.
- Structural Repairs. Once deemed necessary, repairs to structural components of a swale and its inlet and outlet structures will be done within 10 working days. Qualified individuals (i.e., the designers or contractors) will conduct repairs, where structural damage has occurred.
- Embankment and Slope Repairs. Once deemed necessary, damage to the embankments and slopes will be repaired within 10 working days.
- Erosion Repair. Where a reseeding program has been ineffective, or where other factors have created erosive conditions (i.e., pedestrian traffic, concentrated flow, etc.), corrective steps will be taken to prevent loss and any subsequent danger to the performance of the swale. There are a number of corrective actions that can be taken. These include erosion control blankets, rip rap, sodding, or reduced flow through the area. Designers or contractors will be consulted to address erosion problems if the solution is not evident.
- Elimination of animal burrows. Animal burrows will be filled and steps taken remove the animals if burrowing problems continue to occur (filling and compacting). If the problem persists, vector control specialists will be consulted regarding removal steps. This consulting is necessary as the threat of rabies in some areas may necessitate the animals being destroyed rather than relocated. If the BMP performance is affected, abatement will begin. Otherwise, abatement will be performed annually in September.
- General Facility Maintenance. In addition to the above elements of corrective maintenance, general corrective maintenance will address the overall facility and its associated components. If corrective maintenance is being done to one component, other components will be inspected to see if maintenance is needed.

### **Debris and Sediment Disposal**

Waste generated at swales is ultimately the responsibility of the owners within Alpine Oaks Estates. Disposal of sediment, debris, and trash will comply with the applicable local, county, state and federal waste control programs. Table 3.1.2.1 shows a few possible disposal services for waste material.

### **Hazardous Waste**

Suspected hazardous wastes will be analyzed to determine disposal options. Hazardous wastes generated outside will be handled and disposed of according to applicable local, state, and federal regulations. A solid or liquid waste is considered a hazardous waste if it exceeds the criteria listed in the CCR, Title 22, Article 11.

## **6 FISCAL RESOURCES**

This maintenance program for this project is classified as Second Category pursuant to the "Land Development Guidelines for Stormwater Maintenance". The maintenance of the landscaping, roadway storm water facilities and associated bio-filtration swales will be performed as a necessary function of the private road maintenance, and financed through the annual assessments established in the private road maintenance agreement. The cost for annual maintenance of the facilities is estimated to be \$500. The maintenance of the landscaping, stormwater facilities and biofiltration swales located on individual lots will be the responsibility of the private landowner, who will be subject to all the applicable ordinances referenced herein.

## **7 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS**

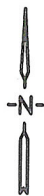
This SWMP has been prepared in accordance with the Watershed Protection, Stormwater Management, and Discharge Control Ordinance, the Grading Ordinance and the Stormwater Standards Manual. This SWMP has evaluated and addressed the potential pollutants associated with this project and their effects on water quality. A summary of the facts and findings associated with this project and the measures addressed by this SWMP is as follows:

- The beneficial uses for the receiving waters have been identified. None of these beneficial uses will be impaired or diminish due to the construction and operation of this project.
- The Single Oaks Estates project will not significantly alter the drainage patterns on the site. The discharge points will not be changed and storm drainage facilities will be placed to attenuate the flow velocities, and prevent downstream erosion.
- Approximately 23% of the disturbed project area will be impervious. Open areas and slopes will be landscaped to reduce or eliminate sediment discharge.
- The vegetated swales proposed as part of the project will provide some mitigation of the increased peak flows by reducing velocities and providing opportunities for infiltration.

- The proposed construction and post-construction BMPs address mitigation measures to protect water quality and protection of water quality objectives and beneficial uses to the maximum extent practical.

**ATTACHMENT "A"**  
**LOCATION MAP**





1" = 1,000 FT

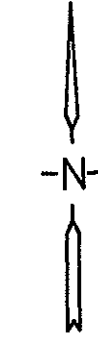
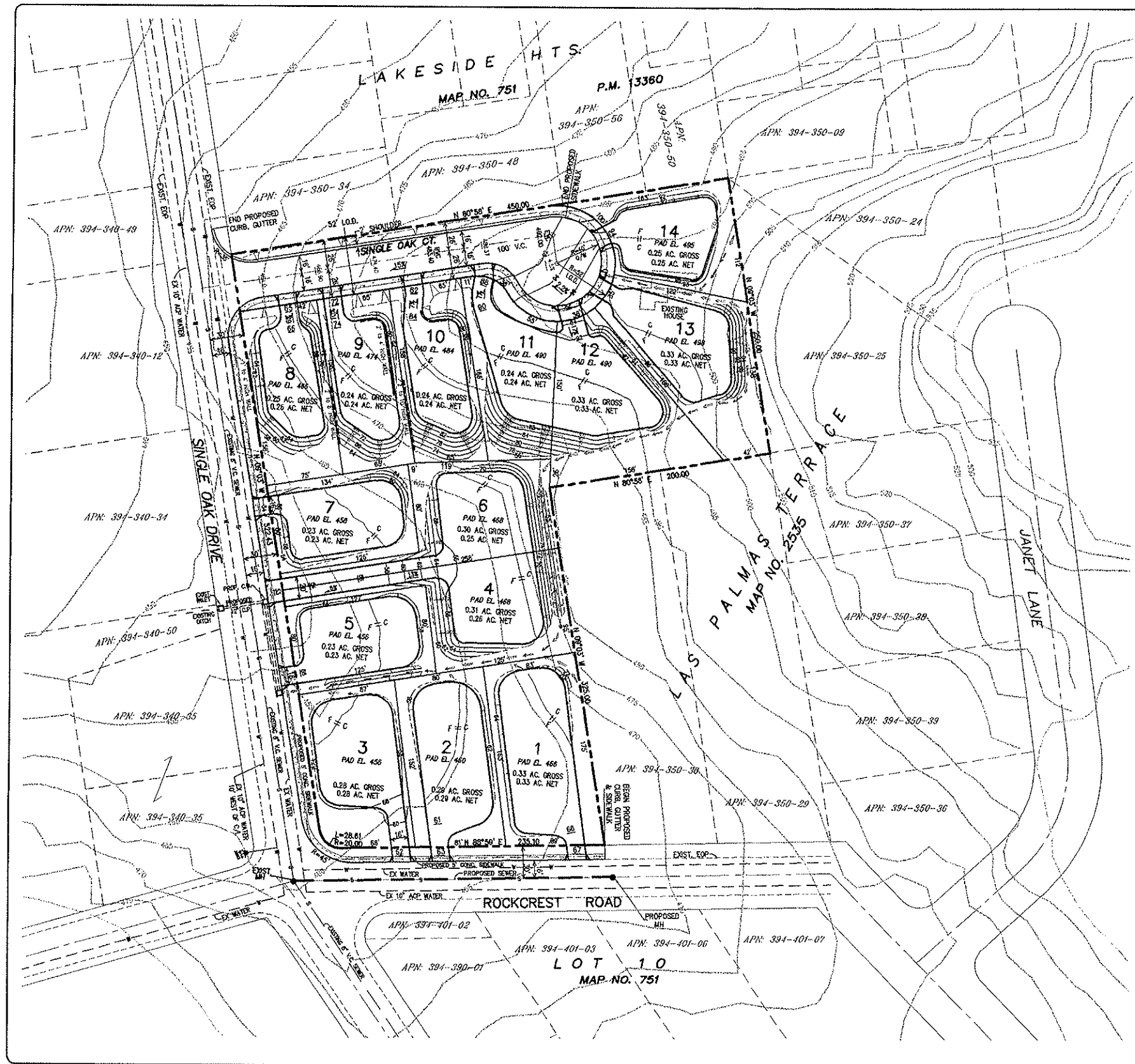
SOURCE: SAN DIEGO COUNTY GIS BASEMAPS

FIGURE 4 - LAND USE



## **ATTACHMENT “B”**

### **PROJECT MAP**

PRELIMINARY GRADING PLAN  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TM

1" = 50'

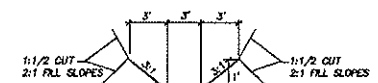
## LEGEND

SUBMISSION BOUNDARY	N89°49'40"W 2707.93'
PROPOSED LOT LINE	2707.93'
PROPOSED BUILDING PAD, DRIVEWAY AND MANUFACTURED SLOPE	PAD 1945
PROPOSED LOT NUMBER	14
PROPOSED PAD ELEVATION	PAD EL. 1945
PROPOSED DAYLIGHT LINE	11/2"
DIRECTION OF STREET DRAINAGE	SE
PROPOSED BROW DITCH	SE
EXISTING CONTOUR	2375
50 FOOT STREAM C/L SETBACK	
100 YEAR LINES OF BOUNDATION	
EXISTING STREAM C/L	
EXISTING WATERLINE	

## PRELIMINARY GRADING PLAN NOTE:

THIS PLAN IS PROVIDED TO ALLOW FOR FULL AND ADEQUATE DISCRETIONARY REVIEW OF A PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. THE PROPERTY OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ACCEPTANCE OR APPROVAL OF THIS PLAN DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN APPROVAL TO PERFORM ANY GRADING SHOWN HEREON, AND AGREES TO OBTAIN A VALID GRADING PERMIT BEFORE COMMENCING SUCH ACTIVITY.

## PROPOSED VEGETATED SWALE



## ENGINEER OF WORK

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM THE ENGINEER OF WORK FOR THIS PROJECT AND THAT I HAVE EXERCISED RESPONSIBLE CHARGE OVER THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT.

NAME: ROBERT K. BURDETTE, JR. DATE: 9/30/07  
RCE NO: 20,905



**ATTACHMENT "C"**

**BMP MAPS**

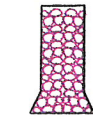


ALL AREAS DISTURBED FOR SEPTIC INSTALLATION SHALL BE REVEGETATED WITH NATIVE MULCH.

INLET AND CULVERT WITH ENERGY DISSIPATOR OUTLET PROTECTION (SS-10/D-40)  
INLET PROTECTION (SC-10)

STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE (TC-1)

BROW DITCHES (RSD D-75 - TYPE A)  
FILTER FENCING (SC-1)



GRAVEL BAGS (SC-6 & 8)  
NATIVE MULCH/STRAW APPLICATION (SS-6 & SS-8)  
HYDROSEEDING OR BONDED FIBER MATRIX (SS3 OR SS-4)



# LEGEND

## SINGLE OAK ESTATES





# SINGLE OAK ESTATES

## LEGEND

ON-LOT MEASURES

INLET AND CULVERT  
WITH ENERGY DISSIPATOR  
OUTLET PROTECTION  
(SS-10/D-40)  
INLET PROTECTION  
(SC-10)

STREET DRAINAGE

BROW DITCHES  
(RSD D-75 - TYPE A)

HYDROSEEDING OR  
BONDED FIBER MATRIX  
(SS3 OR SS-4)

NATURAL BIOSWALE

VEGETATED SWALE  
TC-30





**ATTACHMENT "D"**

**BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES  
DATA SHEETS**

- Non-storm water BMPs.
- Waste management and materials pollution control BMPs.

Schedule shall also include dates for significant long-term operations or activities that may have planned non-storm water discharges such as dewatering, sawcutting, grinding, drilling, boring, crushing, blasting, painting, hydro-demolition, mortar mixing, bridge cleaning, etc.

Schedule work to minimize soil disturbing activities during the rainy season.

Develop the sequencing and timetable for the start and completion of each item such as site clearing and grubbing, grading, excavation, paving, pouring foundations, installing utilities, etc., to minimize the active construction area during the rainy season.

Schedule major grading operations for the non-rainy season when practical.

Stabilize non-active areas within 14 days from the cessation of soil-disturbing activities or one day prior to the onset of precipitation, whichever occurs first.

Monitor the weather forecast for rainfall.

When rainfall is predicted, adjust the construction schedule to allow the implementation of soil stabilization and sediment controls and sediment treatment controls on all disturbed areas prior to the onset of rain.

Be prepared year-round to deploy soil stabilization and sediment control practices as required by Section 2 of this Manual. Erosion may be caused during dry seasons by unseasonal rainfall, wind, and vehicle tracking. Keep the site stabilized year-round, and retain and maintain rainy season sediment trapping devices in operational condition.

Sequence trenching activities so that most open portions are closed before new trenching begins.

Incorporate staged seeding and re-vegetation of graded slopes as work progresses.

Consider scheduling when establishing permanent vegetation (appropriate planting time for specified vegetation).

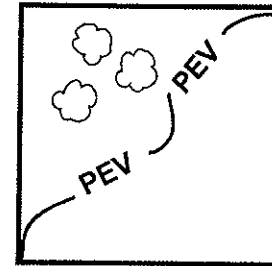
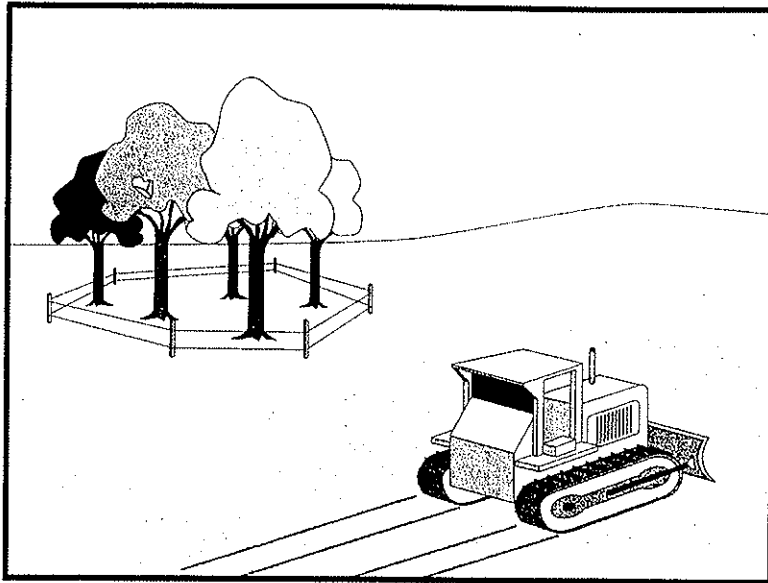
Apply permanent erosion control to areas deemed substantially complete during the project's defined seeding window.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Verify that work is progressing in accordance with the schedule. If progress deviates, take corrective actions.

Amend the schedule when changes are warranted or when directed by the Resident Engineer (RE).

The Special Provisions require annual submittal of a rainy season implementation schedule. Amend the schedule prior to the rainy season to show updated information on the deployment and implementation of construction site BMPs.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Preservation of existing vegetation is the identification and protection of desirable vegetation that provides erosion and sediment control benefits.

**Appropriate Applications** Preserve existing vegetation at areas on a site where no construction activity is planned or will occur at a later date. Specifications for preservation of existing vegetation can be found in Standard Specifications, Section 7-1.11.

On a year-round basis, temporary fencing shall be provided prior to the commencement of clearing and grubbing operations or other soil-disturbing activities in areas.

Clearing and grubbing operations should be staged to preserve existing vegetation.

**Limitations** Protection of existing vegetation requires planning, and may limit the area available for construction activities.

### Standards and Specifications

#### Timing

Preservation of existing vegetation shall be provided prior to the commencement of clearing and grubbing operations or other soil-disturbing activities in areas identified on the plans to be preserved, especially on areas designated as Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs).

Preservation of existing vegetation shall conform to scheduling requirements set forth in the special provisions.

#### Design and Layout

Mark areas to be preserved with temporary fencing made of orange polypropylene that is stabilized against ultraviolet light. The temporary fencing shall be at least 1 meter (3.2. ft) tall and shall have openings not larger than 50 mm by 50 mm (2 in by 2 in).

Fence posts shall be either wood or metal, at the Contractor's discretion, as appropriate for the intended purpose. The post spacing and depth shall be adequate to completely support the fence in an upright position.

Minimize the disturbed areas by locating temporary roadways to avoid stands of trees and shrubs and to follow existing contours to reduce cutting and filling.

Consider the impact of grade changes to existing vegetation and the root zone.

## ***Installation***

Construction materials, equipment storage, and parking areas shall be located where they will not cause root compaction.

Keep equipment away from trees to prevent trunk and root damage.

Maintain existing irrigation systems.

Employees and subcontractors shall be instructed to honor protective devices. No heavy equipment, vehicular traffic, or storage piles of any construction materials shall be permitted within the drip line of any tree to be retained. Removed trees shall not be felled, pushed, or pulled into any retained trees. Fires shall not be permitted within 30 m (100 ft) of the drip line of any retained trees. Any fires shall be of limited size, and shall be kept under continual surveillance. No toxic or construction materials (including paint, acid, nails, gypsum board, chemicals, fuels, and lubricants) shall be stored within 15 m (50 ft) of the drip line of any retained trees, nor disposed of in any way which would injure vegetation.

## ***Trenching and Tunneling***

Trenching shall be as far away from tree trunks as possible, usually outside of the tree drip line or canopy. Curve trenches around trees to avoid large roots or root concentrations. If roots are encountered, consider tunneling under them. When trenching and/or tunneling near or under trees to be retained, tunnels shall be at least 450 mm (18 in) below the ground surface, and not below the tree center to minimize impact on the roots.

Tree roots shall not be left exposed to air; they shall be covered with soil as soon as possible, protected, and kept moistened with wet burlap or peat moss until the tunnel and/or trench can be completed.

The ends of damaged or cut roots shall be cut off smoothly.

Trenches and tunnels shall be filled as soon as possible. Careful filling and tamping will eliminate air spaces in the soil which can damage roots.

Remove any trees intended for retention if those trees are damaged seriously enough to affect their survival. If replacement is desired or required, the new tree shall be of similar species, and at least 50 mm (2 in) caliper, unless



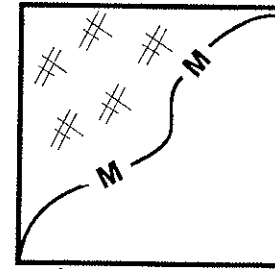
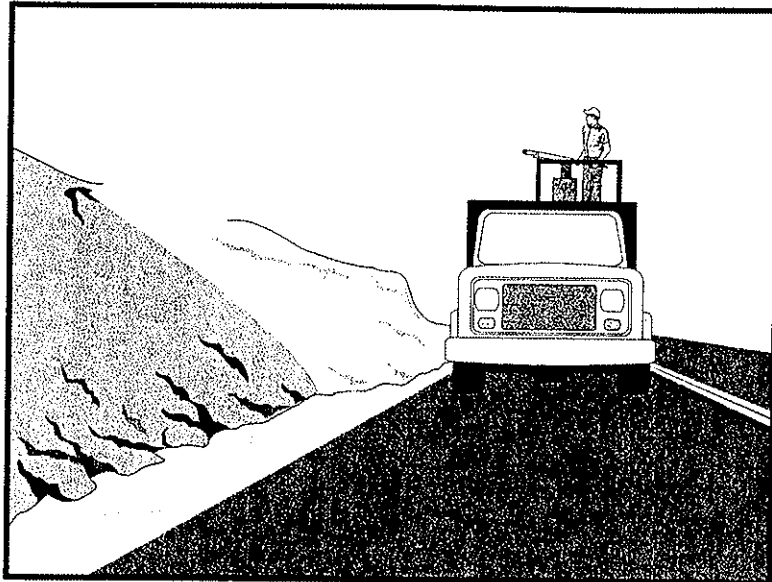
otherwise required by the contract documents.

After all other work is complete, fences and barriers shall be removed last. This is because protected trees may be destroyed by carelessness during the final cleanup and landscaping.

**Maintenance and Inspection** During construction, the limits of disturbance shall remain clearly marked at all times. Irrigation or maintenance of existing vegetation shall conform to the requirements in the landscaping plan. If damage to protected trees still occurs, maintenance guidelines described below shall be followed:

Serious tree injuries shall be attended to by an arborist.

During construction, District Environmental shall be contacted to ensure that ESAs are protected.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

Hydraulic mulch consists of applying a mixture of shredded wood fiber or a hydraulic matrix and a stabilizing emulsion or tackifier with hydroseeding equipment, which temporarily protects exposed soil from erosion by raindrop impact or wind. This is one of five temporary soil stabilization alternatives to consider.

### Appropriate Applications

Hydraulic mulch is applied to disturbed areas requiring temporary protection until permanent vegetation is established or disturbed areas that must re-disturbed following an extended period of inactivity.

### Limitations

Wood fiber hydraulic mulches are generally short-lived (only last a part of a growing season) and need 24 hours to dry before rainfall occurs to be effective.

Paper mulches are not permitted.

Avoid use in areas where the mulch would be incompatible with immediate future earthwork activities and would have to be removed.

### Standards and Specifications

Prior to application, roughen embankment and fill areas by rolling with a crimping or punching type roller or by track walking. Track walking shall only be used where other methods are impractical.

Hydraulic matrices require 24 hours to dry before rainfall occurs to be effective unless approved by the Resident Engineer.

Avoid mulch over-spray onto the traveled way, sidewalks, lined drainage channels, and existing vegetation.

Selection of hydraulic mulches by the Contractor must be approved by the Resident Engineer (RE) or Construction Storm Water Coordinator.

Materials for wood fiber based hydraulic mulches and hydraulic matrices shall conform to Standard Specifications Section 20-2.07.

## Hydraulic Mulch

Wood fiber mulch is a component of hydraulic applications. It is typically applied at the rate of 2,250 to 4,500 kilograms per hectare (kg/ha) (2,000 to 4,000 lb/ac) with 0-5% by weight of a stabilizing emulsion or tackifier (e.g., guar, psyllium, acrylic copolymer) and applied as a slurry. This type of mulch is manufactured from wood or wood waste from lumber mills or from urban sources. Specifications for wood fiber mulch can be found in Standard Specifications Sections 20-2.07 and 20-2.08.

Hydraulic matrix is a combination of wood fiber mulch and a tackifier applied as a slurry. It is typically applied at the rate of 2,250 to 4,500 kilograms per hectare (kg/Ha) with 5-10% by weight of a stabilizing emulsion or tackifier (e.g., guar, psyllium, acrylic copolymer).

## Hydraulic Matrix

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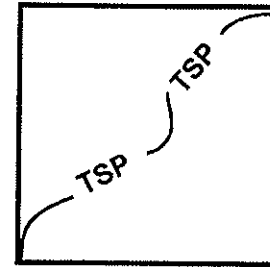
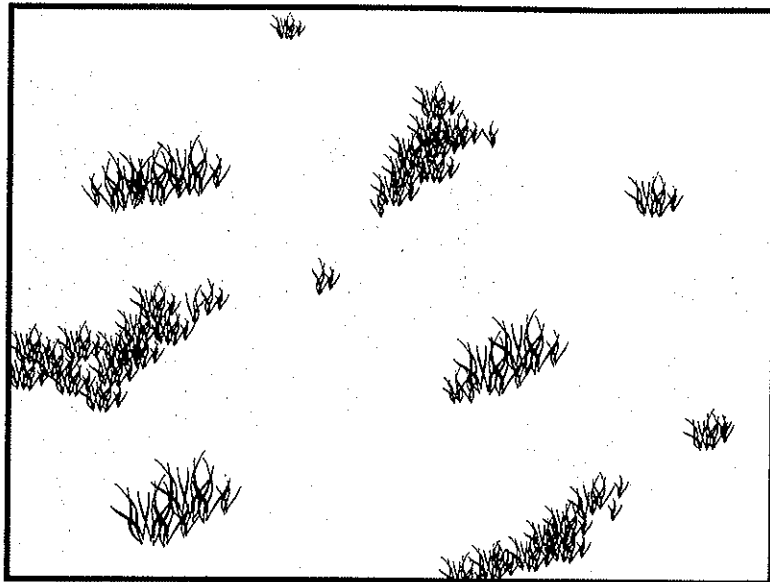
## Bonded Fiber Matrix

Bonded fiber matrix (BFM) is a hydraulically-applied system of fibers and adhesives that upon drying forms an erosion-resistant blanket that promotes vegetation, and prevents soil erosion. BFMs are typically applied at rates from 3,400 kg/ha to 4,500 kg/ha based on the manufacturer's recommendation. The biodegradable BFM is composed of materials that are 100% biodegradable. The binder in the BFM should also be biodegradable and should not dissolve or disperse upon re-wetting. Typically, biodegradable BFMs should not be applied immediately before, during or immediately after rainfall if the soil is saturated. Depending on the product, BFMs require 12 to 24 hours to dry to become effective.

## Maintenance and Inspections

Maintain an unbroken, temporary mulched ground cover throughout the period of construction when the soils are not being reworked. Inspect before expected rain storms and repair any damaged ground cover and re-mulch exposed areas of bare soil.

After any rainfall event, the Contractor is responsible for maintaining all slopes to prevent erosion.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

Hydroseeding typically consists of applying a mixture of wood fiber, seed, fertilizer, and stabilizing emulsion with hydro-mulch equipment, which temporarily protects exposed soils from erosion by water and wind. This is one of five temporary soil stabilization alternatives to consider.

### Appropriate Applications

Hydroseeding is applied on disturbed soil areas requiring temporary protection until permanent vegetation is established or disturbed soil areas that must be re-disturbed following an extended period of inactivity.

### Limitations

Hydroseeding may be used alone only when there is sufficient time in the season to ensure adequate vegetation establishment and erosion control. Otherwise, hydroseeding must be used in conjunction with a soil binder or mulching (i.e., straw mulch), refer to BMP SS-5, Table 1 for options.

Steep slopes are difficult to protect with temporary seeding.

Temporary seeding may not be appropriate in dry periods without supplemental irrigation.

Temporary vegetation may have to be removed before permanent vegetation is applied.

Temporary vegetation is not appropriate for short-term inactivity.

**Standards and Specifications** To select appropriate hydroseeding mixtures, an evaluation of site conditions shall be performed with respect to:

- Soil conditions
- Site topography
- Season and climate
- Vegetation types
- Maintenance requirements
- Sensitive adjacent areas
- Water availability
- Plans for permanent vegetation

Selection of hydroseeding mixtures shall be approved by the District Landscape Architect and the Construction Storm Water Coordinator.

The following steps shall be followed for implementation:

Seed mix shall comply with the Standard Specifications Section 20-2.10, and the project's special provisions.

Hydroseeding can be accomplished using a multiple-step or one-step process; refer to the special provisions for specified process. The multiple-step process ensures maximum direct contact of the seeds to soil. When the one-step process is used to apply the mixture of fiber, seed, etc., the seed rate shall be increased to compensate for all seeds not having direct contact with the soil.

Prior to application, roughen the slope, fill area, or area to be seeded with the furrows trending along the contours. Rolling with a crimping or punching type roller or track walking is required on all slopes prior to hydroseeding. Track walking shall only be used where other methods are impractical.

Apply a straw mulch to keep seeds in place and to moderate soil moisture and temperature until the seeds germinate and grow, refer to Standard Specifications Sections 20-2.06 and 20-3.03.

All seeds shall be in conformance with the California State Seed Law of the Department of Agriculture. Each seed bag shall be delivered to the site sealed and clearly marked as to species, purity, percent germination, dealer's guarantee, and dates of test; provide the Resident Engineer (RE) with such documentation. The container shall be labeled to clearly reflect the amount of Pure Live Seed (PLS) contained. All legume seed shall be pellet-inoculated. Inoculant sources shall be species-specific and shall be applied at a rate of 2 kg of inoculant per 100 kg of seed (2-lb inoculant per 100-lb seed), refer to Standard Specifications Section 20-2.10.

Commercial fertilizer shall conform to the requirements of the California Food and Agricultural Code. Fertilizer shall be pelleted or granular form.

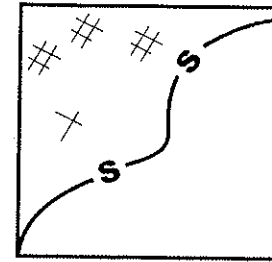
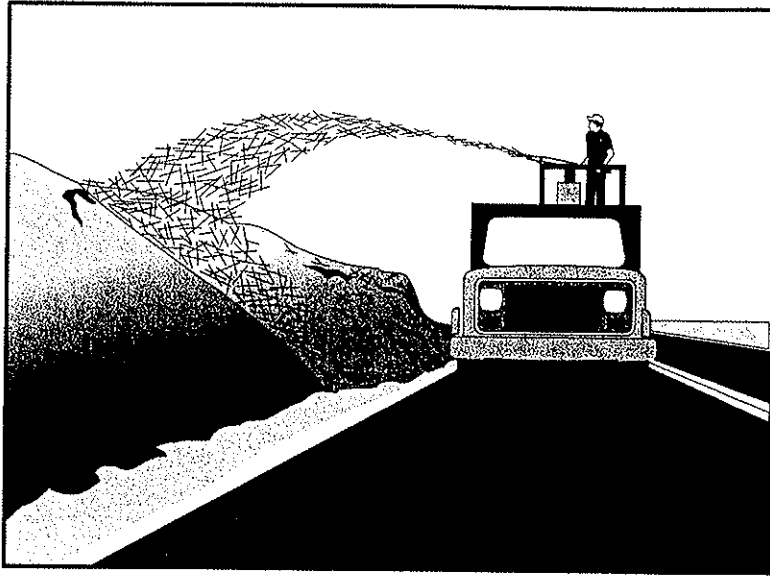
Follow-up applications shall be made as needed to cover weak spots, and to maintain adequate soil protection.

Avoid over-spray onto the traveled way, sidewalks, lined drainage channels, and existing vegetation.

## Maintenance and Inspection

All seeded areas shall be inspected for failures and re-seeded, fertilized, and mulched within the planting season, using not less than half the original application rates. Any temporary revegetation efforts that do not provide adequate cover must be reapplied at a scheduled recommended by the Caltrans Landscape Architect or RE.

After any rainfall event, the Contractor is responsible for maintaining all slopes to prevent erosion.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Straw mulch consists of placing a uniform layer of straw and incorporating it into the soil with a studded roller or anchoring it with a stabilizing emulsion. This is one of five temporary soil stabilization alternatives to consider.

**Appropriate Applications** Straw mulch is typically used for soil stabilization as a temporary surface cover on disturbed areas until soils can be prepared for revegetation and permanent vegetation is established.

Also typically used in combination with temporary and/or permanent seeding strategies to enhance plant establishment.

**Limitations** Availability of erosion control contractors and straw may be limited prior to the rainy season due to high demand.

There is a potential for introduction of weed-seed and unwanted plant material.

When straw blowers are used to apply straw mulch, the treatment areas must be within 45 m (150 ft) of a road or surface capable of supporting trucks.

Straw mulch applied by hand is more time intensive and potentially costly.

May have to be removed prior to permanent seeding or soil stabilization.

“Punching” of straw does not work in sandy soils.

## Standards and Specifications

Straw shall be derived from wheat, rice, or barley.

All materials shall conform to Standard Specifications Sections 20-2.06, 20-2.07 and 20-2.11.

A tackifier is the preferred method for anchoring straw mulch to the soil on slopes.

Crimping, punch roller-type rollers, or track-walking may also be used to incorporate straw mulch into the soil on slopes. Track walking shall only be used where other methods are impractical.

Avoid placing straw onto the traveled way, sidewalks, lined drainage channels, sound walls, and existing vegetation.

Straw mulch with tackifier shall not be applied during or immediately before rainfall.

## Application Procedures

Apply loose straw at a minimum rate of 3,570 kg/ha (4,000 lb/ac), or as indicated in the project's special provisions, either by machine or by hand distribution.

If stabilizing emulsion will be used to anchor the straw mulch in lieu of incorporation, roughen embankment or fill areas by rolling with a crimping or punching-type roller or by track walking before placing the straw mulch. Track walking should only be used where rolling is impractical.

The straw mulch must be evenly distributed on the soil surface.

Anchor the mulch in place by using a tackifier or by "punching" it into the soil mechanically (incorporating).

A tackifier acts to glue the straw fibers together and to the soil surface. The tackifier shall be selected based on longevity and ability to hold the fibers in place.

A tackifier is typically applied at a rate of 140 kg/ha (125 lb/ac). In windy conditions, the rates are typically 200 kg/ha (178 lb/ac).

Methods for holding the straw mulch in place depend upon the slope steepness, accessibility, soil conditions and longevity. If the selected method is incorporation of straw mulch into the soil, then do as follows:

- Applying and incorporating straw shall follow the requirements in Standard Specifications Section 20-3.03.
- On small areas, a spade or shovel can be used.



- On slopes with soils, which are stable enough and of sufficient gradient to safely support construction equipment without contributing to compaction and instability problems, straw can be “punched” into the ground using a knife-blade roller or a straight bladed coultter, known commercially as a “crimper.”
- On small areas and/or steep slopes, straw can also be held in place using plastic netting or jute. The netting shall be held in place using 11 gauge wire staples, geotextile pins or wooden stakes. Refer to BMP SS-7, “Geotextiles, Plastic Covers and Erosion Control Blankets/Mats.”

## Maintenance and Inspections

The key consideration in Maintenance and Inspection is that the straw needs to last long enough to achieve erosion control objectives.

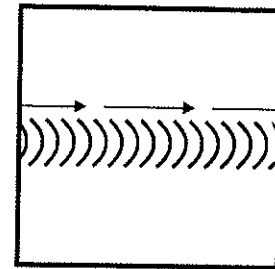
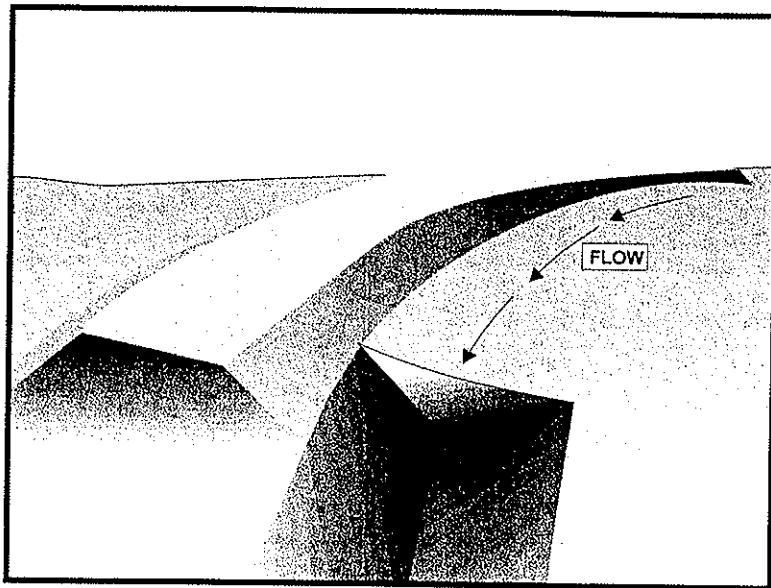
Maintain an unbroken, temporary mulched ground cover while DSAs are non-active. Repair any damaged ground cover and re-mulch exposed areas.

Reapplication of straw mulch and tackifier may be required by the Resident Engineer (RE) to maintain effective soil stabilization over disturbed areas and slopes.

After any rainfall event, the Contractor is responsible for maintaining all slopes to prevent erosion.

# Earth Dikes/Drainage Swales and Lined Ditches

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## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

These are structures that intercept, divert and convey surface run-on, generally sheet flow, to prevent erosion.

### Appropriate Applications

Earth dikes/drainage swales and lined ditches may be used to:

- Convey surface runoff down sloping land.
- Intercept and divert runoff to avoid sheet flow over sloped surfaces.
- Divert and direct runoff towards a stabilized watercourse, drainage pipe or channel.
- Intercept runoff from paved surfaces.

Earth dikes/drainage swales and lined ditches also may be used:

- Below steep grades where runoff begins to concentrate.
- Along roadways and facility improvements subject to flood drainage.
- At the top of slopes to divert run-on from adjacent or undisturbed slopes.
- At bottom and mid-slope locations to intercept sheet flow and convey concentrated flows.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

# Earth Dikes/Drainage Swales and Lined Ditches

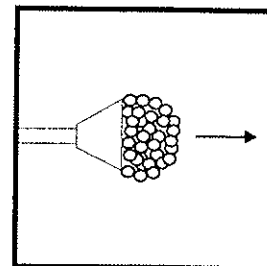
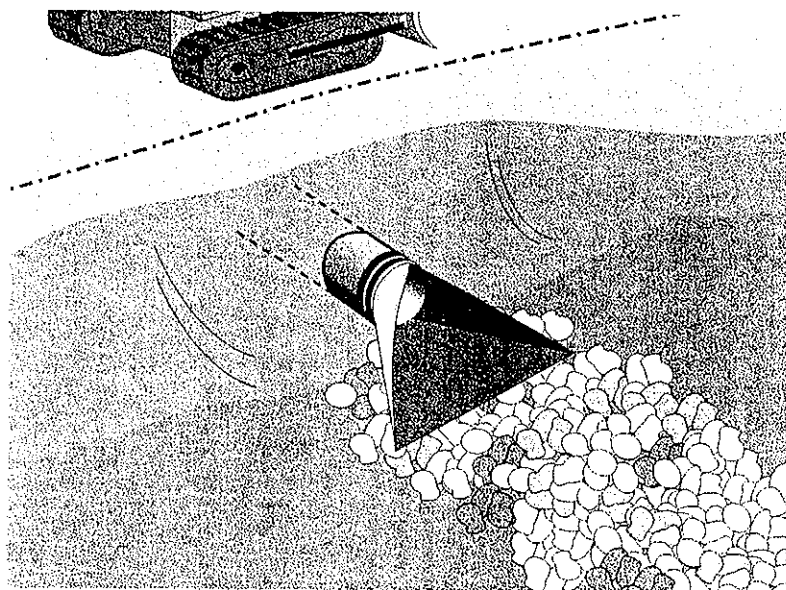
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Limitations	<p>Earth dikes/drainage swales and lined ditches are not suitable as sediment trapping devices.</p> <p>May be necessary to use other soil stabilization and sediment controls, such as check dams, plastics, and blankets, to prevent scour and erosion in newly graded dikes, swales and ditches.</p>
Standards and Specifications	<p>Care must be applied to correctly size and locate earth dikes, drainage swales and lined ditches. Excessively steep, unlined dikes and swales are subject to erosion and gully formation.</p> <p>Conveyances shall be stabilized.</p> <p>Use a lined ditch for high flow velocities.</p> <p>Select flow velocity based on careful evaluation of the risks due to erosion of the measure, soil types, over topping, flow backups, washout, and drainage flow patterns for each project site.</p> <p>Compact any fills to prevent unequal settlement.</p> <p>Do not divert runoff from the highway right-of-way onto other property.</p> <p>When possible, install and utilize permanent dikes, swales and ditches early in the construction process.</p> <p>Provide stabilized outlets. Refer to SS-10, "Outlet Protection/Velocity/Dissipation Devices."</p>
Maintenance and Inspections	<p>Inspect temporary measures prior to the rainy season, after rainfall events, and regularly (approximately once per week) during the rainy season.</p> <p>Inspect ditches and berms for washouts. Replace lost riprap, damaged linings or soil stabilizers as needed.</p> <p>Inspect channel linings, embankments, and beds of ditches and berms for erosion and accumulation of debris and sediment. Remove debris and sediment, and repair linings and embankments as needed or as directed by the RE.</p> <p>Temporary conveyances shall be completely removed as soon as the surrounding drainage area has been stabilized, or at the completion of construction.</p>

# Outlet Protection/Velocity Dissipation Devices

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## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** These devices are placed at pipe outlets to prevent scour and reduce the velocity and/or energy of storm water flows.

## Appropriate Applications

These devices may be used at the following locations:

- Outlets of pipes, drains, culverts, slope drains, diversion ditches, swales, conduits or channels.
- Outlets located at the bottom of mild to steep slopes.
- Discharge outlets that carry continuous flows of water.
- Outlets subject to short, intense flows of water, such as flash floods.
- Points where lined conveyances discharge to unlined conveyances.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

## Limitations

Loose rock may have stones washed away during high flows.

Grouted riprap may break up in areas of freeze and thaw.

If there is not adequate drainage, and water builds up behind grouted riprap, it may cause the grouted riprap to break up due to the resulting hydrostatic pressure.



# Outlet Protection/Velocity Dissipation Devices

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## Standards and Specifications

There are many types of energy dissipaters, with rock being the one that is represented in the figure on Page 3. Please note that this is only one example and the RE may approve other types of devices proposed by the contractor.

Install riprap, grouted riprap, or concrete apron at selected outlet. Riprap aprons are best suited for temporary use during construction.

Carefully place riprap to avoid damaging the filter fabric.

For proper operation of apron:

- Align apron with receiving stream and keep straight throughout its length. If a curve is needed to fit site conditions, place it in upper section of apron.
- If size of apron riprap is large, protect underlying filter fabric with a gravel blanket.

Outlets on slopes steeper than 10% shall have additional protection.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Inspect temporary measures prior to the rainy season, after rainfall events, and regularly (approximately once per week) during the rainy season.

Inspect apron for displacement of the riprap and/or damage to the underlying fabric. Repair fabric and replace riprap that has washed away.

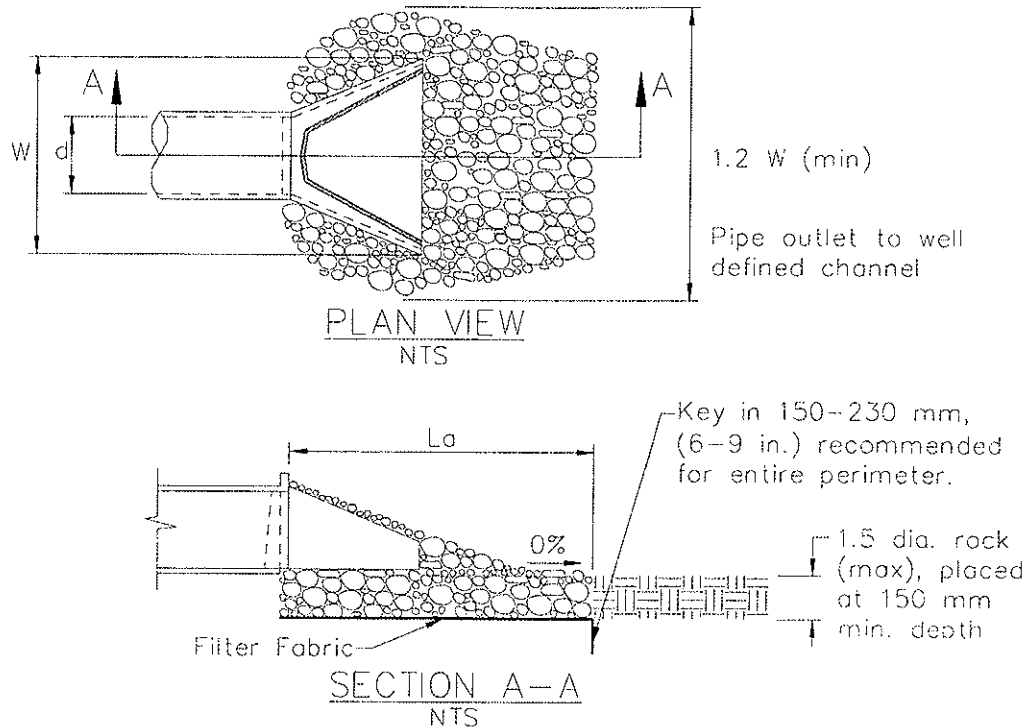
Inspect for scour beneath the riprap and around the outlet. Repair damage to slopes or underlying filter fabric immediately.

Temporary devices shall be completely removed as soon as the surrounding drainage area has been stabilized, or at the completion of construction.



# Outlet Protection/Velocity Dissipation Devices

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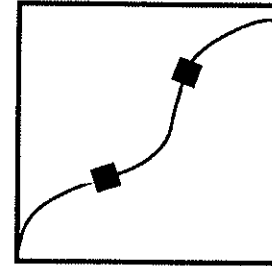
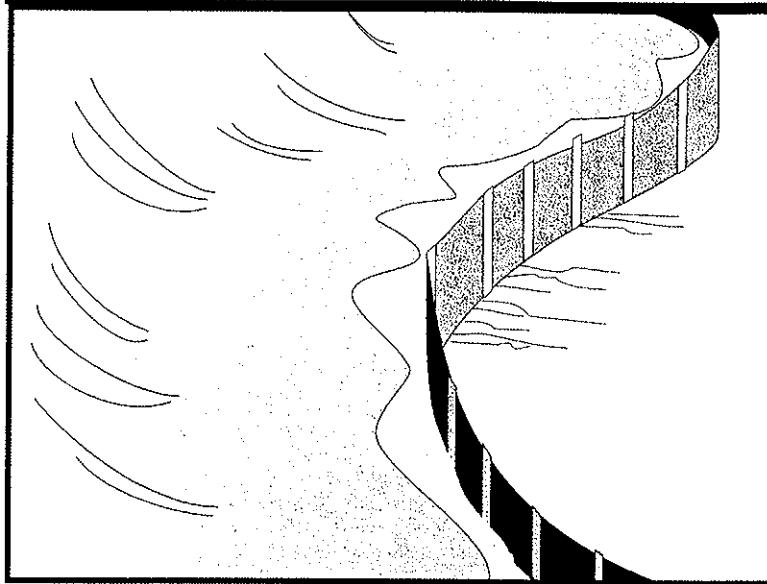


Pipe Diameter mm	Discharge m <sup>3</sup> /s	Apron Length, La m	Rip Rap D <sub>50</sub> Diameter Min mm
300	0.14	3	100
	0.28	4	150
450	0.28	3	150
	0.57	5	200
	0.85	7	300
	1.13	8	400
600	0.85	5	200
	1.13	8	200
	1.42	8	300
	1.70	9	400

**For larger or higher flows, consult a Registered Civil Engineer**

Source: USDA - SCS





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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** A silt fence is a temporary linear sediment barrier of permeable fabric designed to intercept and slow the flow of sediment-laden sheet flow runoff. Silt fences allow sediment to settle from runoff before water leaves the construction site.

**Appropriate Applications** Silt fences are placed:

- Below the toe of exposed and erodible slopes.
- Down-slope of exposed soil areas.
- Around temporary stockpiles.
- Along streams and channels.
- Along the perimeter of a project.

**Limitations**

- Not effective unless trenched and keyed in.
- Not intended for use as mid-slope protection on slopes greater than 1:4 (V:H).
- Must be maintained.
- Must be removed and disposed of.
- Don't use below slopes subject to creep, slumping, or landslides.
- Don't use in streams, channels, drain inlets, or anywhere flow is concentrated.
- Don't use silt fences to divert flow.

## Standards and Specifications *Design and Layout*

The maximum length of slope draining to any point along the silt fence shall be 61 m (200 ft) or less.

Slope of area draining to silt fence shall be less than 1:1 (V:H).

Limit to locations suitable for temporary ponding or deposition of sediment.

Fabric life span generally limited to between five and eight months. Longer periods may require fabric replacement.

Silt fences shall not be used in concentrated flow areas.

Lay out in accordance with Pages 5 and 6 of this BMP.

For slopes steeper than 1:2 (V:H) and that contain a high number of rocks or large dirt clods that tend to dislodge, it may be necessary to install additional protection immediately adjacent to the bottom of the slope, prior to installing silt fence. Additional protection may be a chain link fence or a cable fence.

For slopes adjacent to water bodies or Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs), additional temporary soil stabilization BMPs shall be used.

## *Materials*

Silt fence fabric shall be woven polypropylene with a minimum width of 900 mm (36 inches) and a minimum tensile strength of 0.45-kN. The fabric shall conform to the requirements in ASTM designation D4632 and shall have an integral reinforcement layer. The reinforcement layer shall be a polypropylene, or equivalent, net provided by the manufacturer. The permittivity of the fabric shall be between  $0.1 \text{ sec}^{-1}$  and  $0.15 \text{ sec}^{-1}$  in conformance with the requirements in ASTM designation D4491. Contractor must submit certificate of compliance in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 6-1.07.

Wood stakes shall be commercial quality lumber of the size and shape shown on the plans. Each stake shall be free from decay, splits or cracks longer than the thickness of the stake or other defects that would weaken the stakes and cause the stakes to be structurally unsuitable.

Bar reinforcement may be used, and its size shall be equal to a number four (4) or greater. End protection shall be provided for any exposed bar reinforcement.

Staples used to fasten the fence fabric to the stakes shall be not less than 45 mm (1.75 inches) long and shall be fabricated from 1.57 mm (0.06 inch) or heavier wire. The wire used to fasten the tops of the stakes together when



joining two sections of fence shall be 3.05 mm (0.12 inch) or heavier wire. Galvanizing of the fastening wire is not required.

## ***Installation***

Generally, silt fences shall be used in conjunction with soil stabilization source controls up slope to provide effective erosion and sediment control.

Bottom of the silt fence shall be keyed-in a minimum of 150 mm (12 inches).

Trenches shall not be excavated wider and deeper than necessary for proper installation of the temporary linear sediment barriers.

Excavation of the trenches shall be performed immediately before installation of the temporary linear sediment barriers.

Construct silt fences with a set-back of at least 1 m (3 ft) from the toe of a slope. Where a silt fence is determined to be not practical due to specific site conditions, the silt fence may be constructed at the toe of the slope, but shall be constructed as far from the toe of the slope as practical.

Construct the length of each reach so that the change in base elevation along the reach does not exceed 1/3 the height of the barrier; in no case shall the reach exceed 150 meters (490 ft).

Cross barriers shall be a minimum of 1/3 and a maximum of 1/2 the height of the linear barrier.

Install in accordance with Pages 5 and 6 of this BMP.

## **Maintenance and Inspection**

Repair undercut silt fences.

Repair or replace split, torn, slumping, or weathered fabric.

Inspect silt fence when rain is forecast. Perform necessary maintenance, or maintenance required by the Resident Engineer (RE).

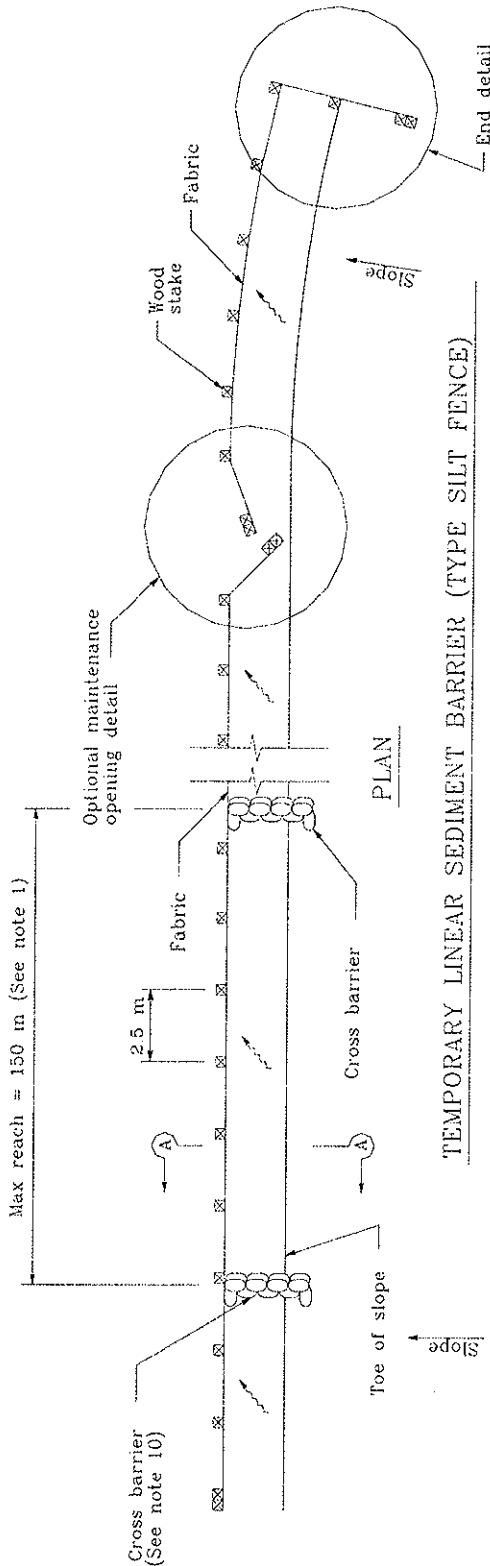
Inspect silt fence following rainfall events. Perform maintenance as necessary, or as required by the RE.

Maintain silt fences to provide an adequate sediment holding capacity. Sediment shall be removed when the sediment accumulation reaches one-third (1/3) of the barrier height. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications.

Silt fences that are damaged and become unsuitable for the intended purpose, as determined by the RE, shall be removed from the site of work, disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications, and replaced with new silt fence barriers.

Holes, depressions or other ground disturbance caused by the removal of the temporary silt fences shall be backfilled and repaired in conformance with the Standard Specifications.

Remove silt fence when no longer needed or as required by the RE. Fill and compact post holes and anchorage trench, remove sediment accumulation, and grade fence alignment to blend with adjacent ground.



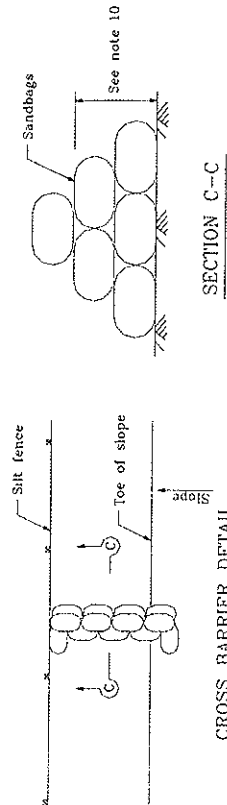
TEMPORARY LINEAR SEDIMENT BARRIER (TYPE SILT FENCE)

## NOTES

1. Construct the length of each reach so that the change in base elevation along the reach does not exceed  $1/3$  the height of the linear barrier, in no case shall the reach length exceed 150m.
2. The last 2.5 m of fence shall be turned up slope.
3. Stake dimensions are nominal.
4. Dimension may vary to fit field condition.
5. Stakes shall be spaced at 2.5 m maximum and shall be positioned on downstream side of fence.
6. Stakes to overlap and fence fabric to fold around each stake one full turn. Secure fabric to stake with 4 staples.
7. Stakes shall be driven tightly together to prevent potential flow-through of sediment at joint. The tops of the stakes shall be secured with wire.
8. For end stake, fence fabric shall be folded around two stakes one full turn and secured with 4 staples.
9. Minimum 4 staples per stake. Dimensions shown are typical.
10. Cross barriers shall be a minimum of  $1/3$  and a maximum of  $1/2$  the height of the linear barrier.
11. Maintenance openings shall be constructed in a manner to ensure sediment remains behind silt fence.
12. Joining sections shall not be placed at sump locations.
13. Sandbag rows and layers shall be offset to eliminate gaps.

## LEGEND

- Tamped backfill
- Slope direction
- Direction of flow



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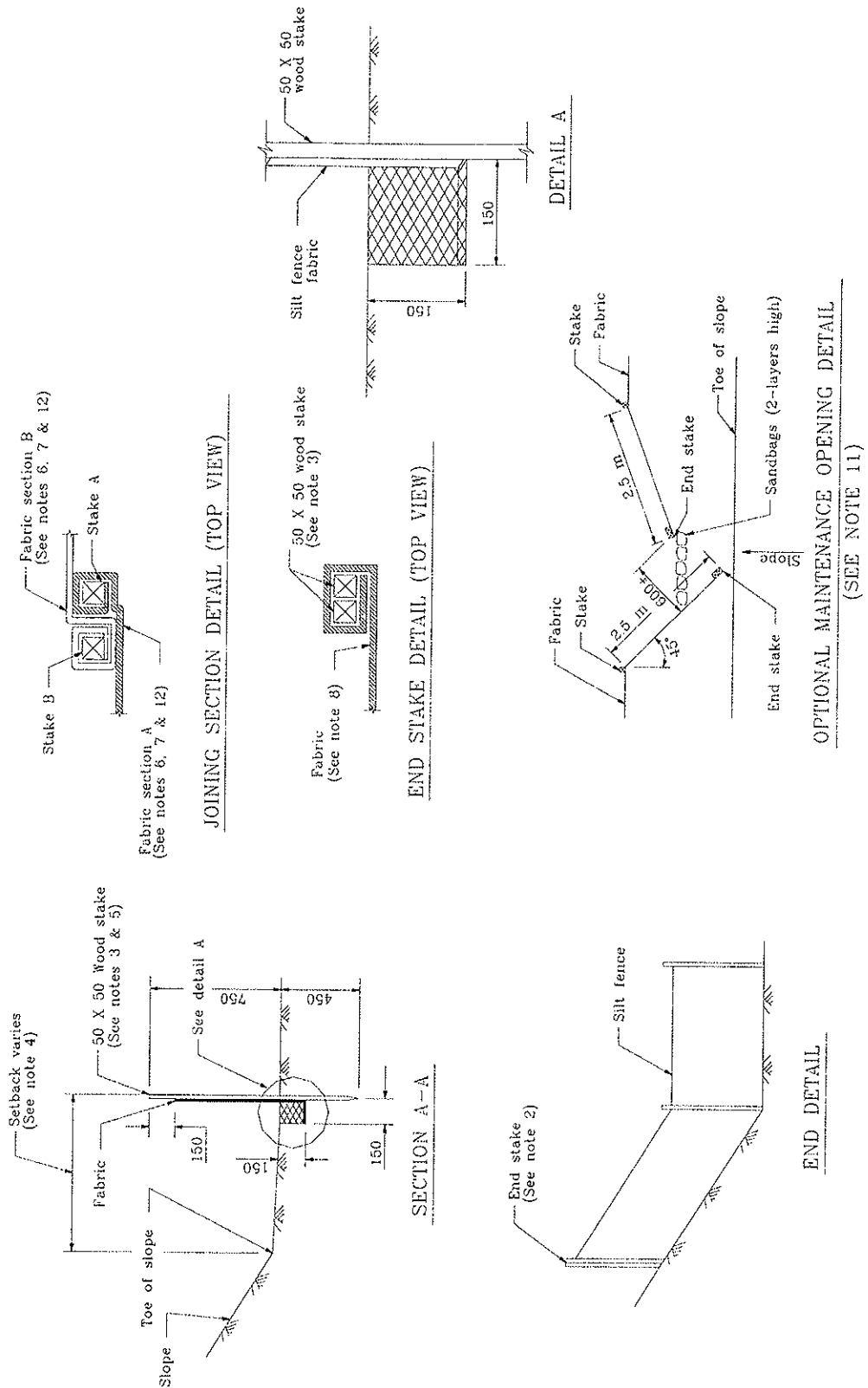
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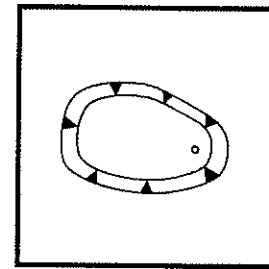
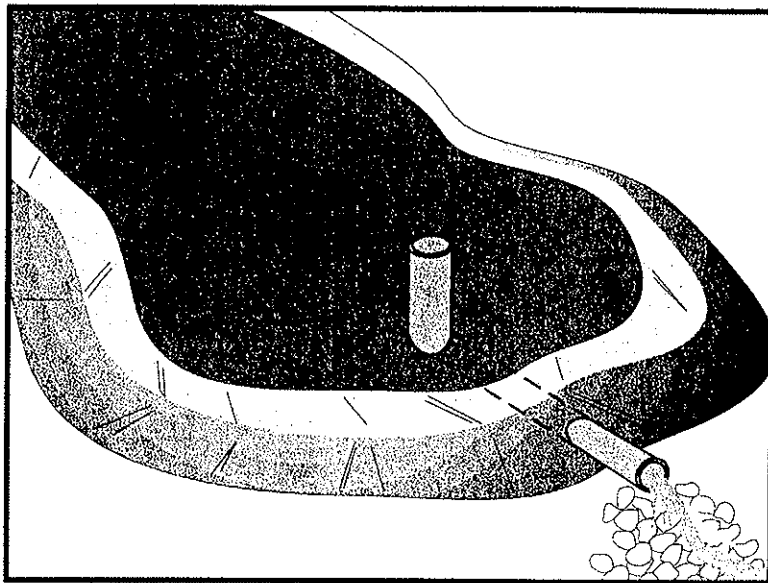
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# Silt Fence

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## BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

## Definition and Purpose

A sediment/desilting basin is a temporary basin formed by excavating and/or constructing an embankment so that sediment-laden runoff is temporarily detained under quiescent conditions, allowing sediment to settle out before the runoff is discharged (refer to Figures 1 and 2).

## Appropriate Applications

Sediment basins shall be designed in accordance with Section A of the State of California NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activities (General Permit). If there is insufficient area to construct a sediment basin in accordance with the General Permit requirements, then the alternate desilting design standards specified herein may be used. This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the RE.

Sediment/Desilting Basins shall be considered for use:

- On construction projects with disturbed areas during the rainy season.

- Where sediment-laden water may enter the drainage system or watercourses.

- At outlets of disturbed soil areas with areas between 2 ha and 4 ha (5 ac and 10 ac).

## Limitations

- Alternative BMPs must be thoroughly investigated for erosion control before selecting temporary desilting basins.

- Requires large surface areas to permit settling of sediment.

- Not appropriate for drainage areas greater than 30 ha (75 ac).

- Not to be located in live streams

## Standards and Specifications

For safety reasons, basins shall have protective fencing.

Size may be limited by availability of right-of-way.

Limit the contributing area to the sediment/desilting basin to only the runoff from the disturbed soil areas. Use temporary concentrated flow conveyance controls to divert runoff from undisturbed areas away from the sediment/desilting basin.

### **Sediment Basin**

Sediment basins shall, at a minimum, be designed as follows:

- Option 1: Pursuant to local ordinance for sediment basin design and maintenance, provided that the design efficiency is as protective or more protective of water quality than Option 3.

OR

- Option 2: Sediment basin(s), as measured from the bottom of the basin to the principal outlet, shall have at least a capacity equivalent to 102 cubic meters (3,600 cubic feet) of storage per 0.4 hectare (1 acre) draining into the sediment basin. The length of the basin shall be more than twice the width of the basin. The length is determined by measuring the distance between the inlet and the outlet; and the depth must not be less than 0.9 m (3 ft) nor greater than 1.5 m (5 ft) for safety reasons and for maximum efficiency.

OR

- Option 3: Sediment basin(s) shall be designed using the standard equation:

$$As = 1.2Q/V_s \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

Where:

$As$  = Minimum surface area for trapping soil particles of a certain size

$V_s$  = Settling velocity of the design particle size chosen

$$Q = CIA$$

Where:

$Q$  = Discharge rate measured in cubic feet per second

$C$  = Runoff coefficient

$I$  = Precipitation intensity for the 10-year, 6-hour rain event

$A$  = Area draining into the sediment basin in acres

The design particle size shall be the smallest soil grain size determined by wet sieve analysis, or the fine silt sized (0.01mm) particle, and the  $V_s$  used shall be 100 percent of the calculated settling velocity.

The length is determined by measuring the distance between the inlet and the outlet; the length shall be more than twice the dimension as the width; the depth shall not be less than 0.9 m (3 ft) nor greater than 1.5 m (5 ft) for safety reasons and for maximum efficiency [0.6 m (2 ft) of sediment storage, 0.6 m (2 ft) of capacity]. The basin(s) shall be located on the site where it can be maintained on a year-round basis and shall be maintained on a schedule to retain the 0.6 m (2 ft) of capacity.

OR

- Option 4: The use of an equivalent surface area design or equation, provided that the design efficiency is as protective or more protective of water quality than Option 3.

## ***Desilting Basin***

Desilting basins shall be designed to have a capacity equivalent to 100 cubic meters of storage (as measured from the top of the basin to the principal outlet) per hectare of contributory area. This design is less than the required to capture the 0.01 mm particle size but larger than that required to capture particles 0.02 mm or larger.

The length of the basin shall be more than twice the width of the basin; the length shall be determined by measuring the distance between the inlet and the outlet.

The depth must be no less than one (1) meter nor greater than 1.5 m.

Basins with an impounding levee greater than 1.5 m (5 ft) tall, measured from the lowest point to the impounding area to the highest point of the levee, and basins capable of impounding more than 1000 cubic meters (35,300 cubic feet), shall be designed by a professional Civil Engineer registered with the state of California. The design must be submitted to the Resident Engineer (RE) for approval at least 7 days prior to the basin construction. The design shall include maintenance requirements, including sediment and vegetation removal, to ensure continuous function of the basin outlet and bypass structures.

## ***General Requirements***

Design and locate sediment/desilting basins so that they can be maintained. Construct desilting basins prior to the rainy season and construction activities.

Sediment/desilting basins, regardless of size and storage volume, shall include features to accommodate overflow or bypass flows that exceed the design storm event. The calculated basin volume and proposed location shall be submitted to

the RE for approval at least 3 days prior to the basin construction.

Construct an emergency spillway to accommodate flows not carried by the principal spillway. Spillway shall consist of an open channel (earthen or vegetated) over undisturbed material (not fill) or constructed of a non-erodible riprap.

Spillway control section, which is a level portion of the spillway channel at the highest elevation in the channel, shall be a minimum of 6 m (20 ft) in length.

A forebay, constructed upstream of the basin may be provided to remove debris and larger particles.

Basin inlets shall be located to maximize travel distance to the basin outlet.

Rock or vegetation shall be used to protect the basin inlet and slopes against erosion.

The outflow from the basins shall be provided with outlet protection to prevent erosion and scouring of the embankment and channel. See BMP SS-10, "Outlet Protection/Velocity Dissipation Devices."

Basin shall be located: (1) by excavating a suitable area or where a low embankment can be constructed across a swale, (2) where post-construction (permanent) detention basins will be constructed, (3) where failure would not cause loss of life or property damage, (4) where the basins can be maintained on a year-round basins to provide access for maintenance, including sediment removal and sediment stockpiling in a protected area, and to maintain the basin to provide the required capacity.

Areas under embankments, structural works, and sediment/desilting basin must be cleared, stripped of vegetation in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 16 – "Clearing and Grubbing."

Earthwork shall be in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 19 – "Earthwork". Contractor is specifically directed to Standard Specifications Sections 19-5, "Compaction," and 19-6, "Embankment Construction."

Structure shall be placed on a firm, smooth foundation with the base securely anchored with concrete or other means to prevent floatation.

Discharge from the basin shall be accomplished through a water quality outlet. An example is shown in Figure 3. The Principal outlet shall consist of a corrugated metal, high density polyethylene (HDPE), or reinforced concrete riser pipe with dewatering holes and an anti-vortex device and trash rack attached to the top of the riser, to prevent floating debris from flowing out of the basin or obstructing the system. This principal structure shall be designed



to accommodate the inflow design storm.

A rock pile or rock-filled gabions can serve as alternatives to the debris screen, although the designer should be aware of the potential for extra maintenance involved should the pore spaces in the rock pile clog.

Proper hydraulic design of the outlet is critical to achieving the desired performance of the basin. The water quality outlet should be designed to drain the basin within 24 to 72 hours (also referred to as "drawdown time"). (The 24-hour limit is specified to provide adequate settling time; the 72-hour limit is specified to mitigate vector control concerns.)

The two most common outlet problems that occur are: (1) the capacity of the outlet is too great resulting in only partial filling of the basin and drawdown time less than designed for; and (2) the outlet clogs because it is not adequately protected against trash and debris. To avoid these problems, the following outlet types are recommended for use: (1) a single orifice outlet with or without the protection of a riser pipe, and (2) perforated riser. Design guidance for single orifice and perforated riser outlets are as follows:

### *Flow Control Using a Single Orifice At The Bottom Of The Basin*

**(Figure 1):** The outlet control orifice should be sized using the following equation:

$$a = \frac{2A(H - H_o)^{0.5}}{3600CT(2g)^{0.5}} = \frac{(7 \times 10^{-5})A(H - H_o)^{0.5}}{CT} \quad (\text{Eq. 2})$$

where:

- $a$  = area of orifice (ft<sup>2</sup>) (1 ft<sup>2</sup> = 0.0929m<sup>2</sup>)
- $A$  = surface area of the basin at mid elevation (ft<sup>2</sup>)
- $C$  = orifice coefficient
- $T$  = drawdown time of full basin (hrs)
- $G$  = gravity (32.2 ft/s<sup>2</sup>)
- $H$  = elevation when the basin is full (ft)
- $H_o$  = final elevation when basin is empty (ft)

With a drawdown time of 40 hours, the equation becomes:

$$a = \frac{(1.75 \times 10^{-6})A(H - H_o)^{0.5}}{C} \quad (\text{Eq. 3})$$

### *Flow Control Using Multiple Orifices (see Figure2):*

$$a_t = \frac{2A(h_{\max})}{CT(2g[h_{\max} - h_{\text{centroid of orifices}}])^{0.5}} \quad (\text{Eq. 4})$$

With terms as described above except:

$a_t$  = total area of orifices

$h_{\max}$  = maximum height from lowest orifice to the maximum water surface (ft)

$h_{\text{centroid of orifices}}$  = height from the lowest orifice to the centroid of the orifice configuration (ft)

Allocate the orifices evenly on two rows; separate the holes by 3x hole diameter vertically, and by 120 degrees horizontally (refer to Figure 3).

Because basins are not maintained for infiltration, water loss by infiltration should be disregarded when designing the hydraulic capacity of the outlet structure.

Care must be taken in the selection of "C"; 0.60 is most often recommended and used. However, based on actual tests, GKY (1989), "Outlet Hydraulics of Extended Detention Facilities for Northern Virginia Planning District Commission", recommends the following:

C = 0.66 for thin materials; where the thickness is equal to or less than the orifice diameter, or

C = 0.80 when the material is thicker than the orifice diameter

The Contractor shall verify that the outlet is properly designed to handle the design and peak flows.

Attach riser pipe (watertight connection) to a horizontal pipe (barrel), which extends through the embankment to toe of fill. Provide anti-seep collars on the barrel.

Cleanout level shall be clearly marked on the riser pipe

Avoid dewatering of groundwater to the sediment/desilting basin during the rainy season. Insignificant quantities of accumulated precipitation may be dewatered to the sediment/desilting basin unless precipitation is forecasted within 24 hours. Refer to NS-2 "Dewatering Operations."

Chain link fencing shall be provided around each sediment/desilting basin to prevent unauthorized entry to the basin or if safety is a concern. Fencing shall be in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 80 – "Fencing."

## Maintenance and Inspection

Inspect sediment/desilting basins before and after rainfall events and weekly during the rest of the rainy season. During extended rainfall events, inspect at

least every 24 hours.

Examine basin banks for seepage and structural soundness.

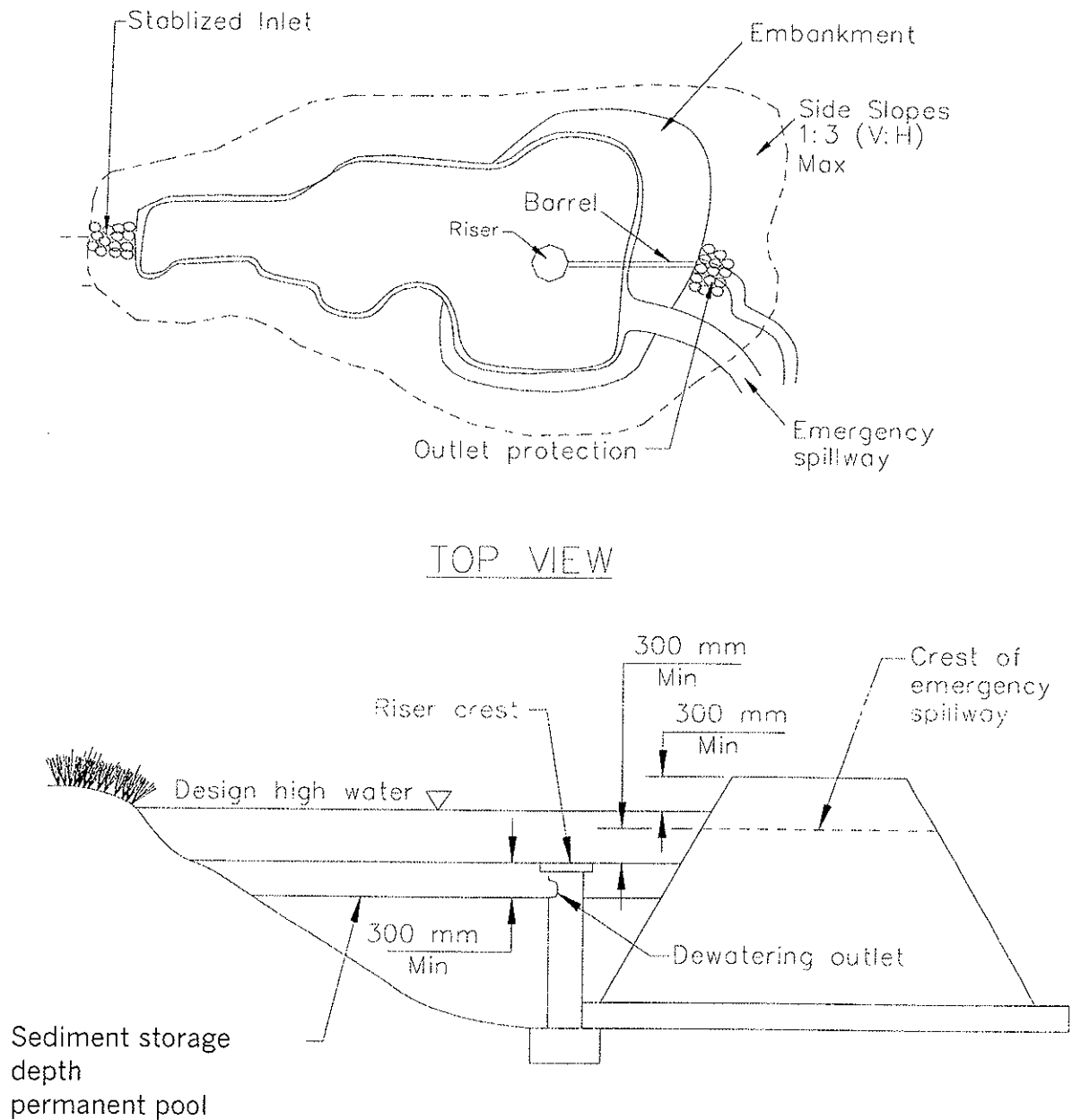
Check inlet and outlet structures and spillway for any damage or obstructions. Repair damage and remove obstructions as needed, or as directed by the RE.

Remove standing water from the basin within 72 hours after accumulation.

Check inlet and outlet area for erosion and stabilize if required, or if directed by the RE.

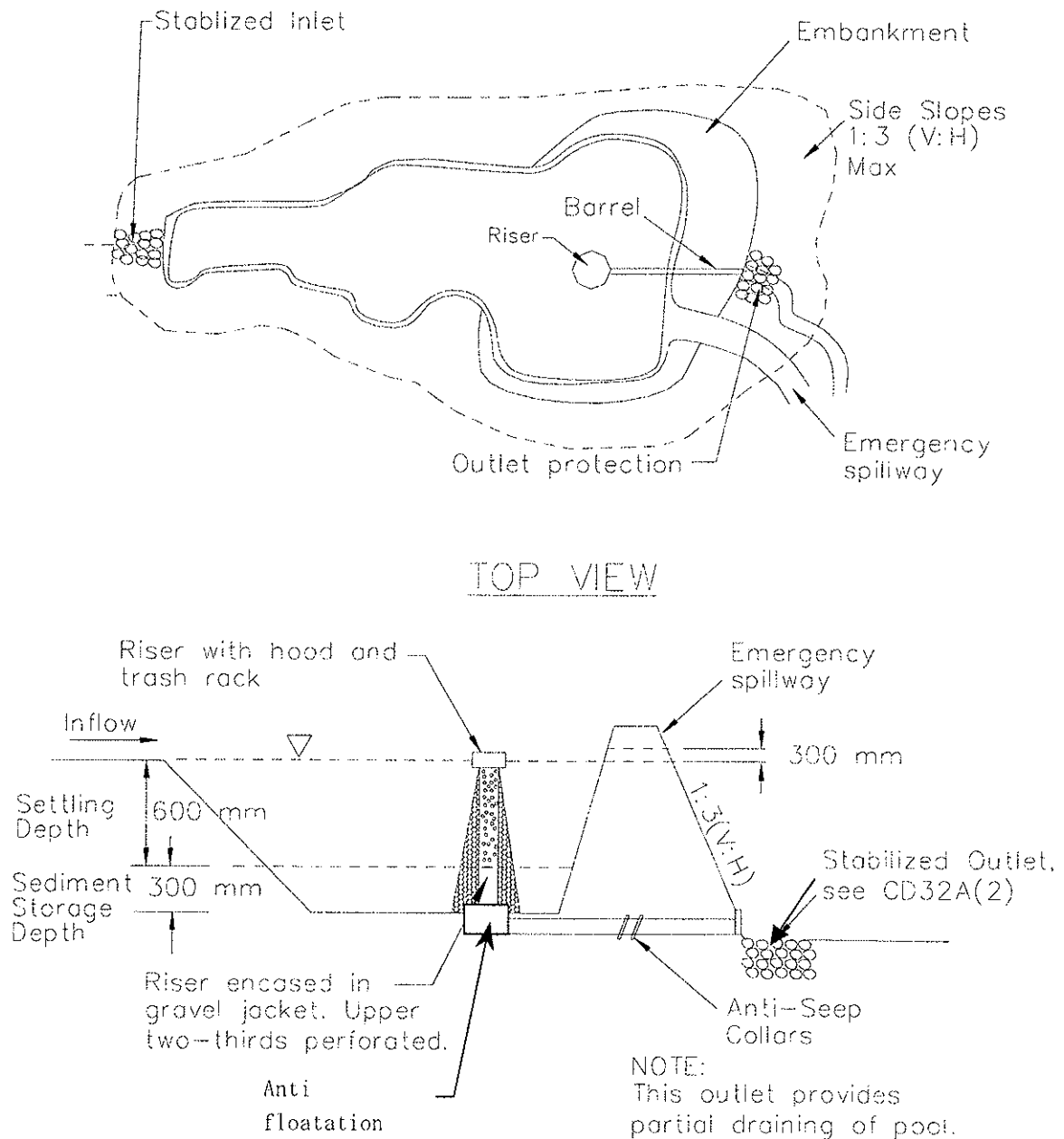
Remove accumulated sediment when its volume reaches one-third the volume of the sediment storage. Properly dispose of sediment and debris removed from the basin.

Check fencing for damage and repair as needed or as directed by the RE.



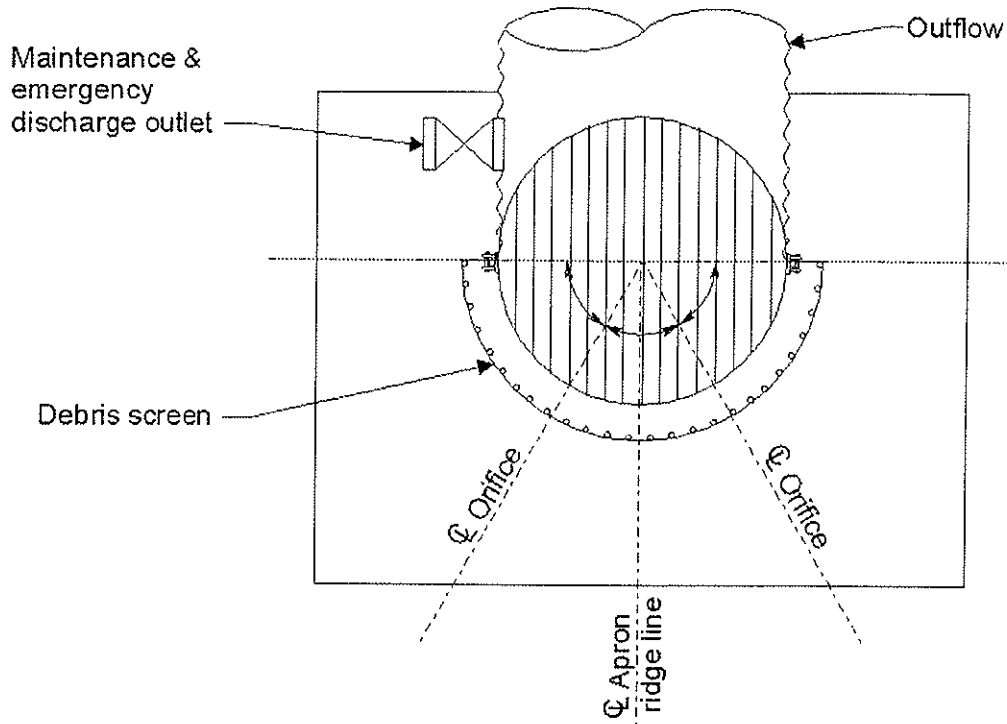
This outlet provides no drainage for permanent pool.

**FIGURE 1: SINGLE ORIFICE DESIGN**  
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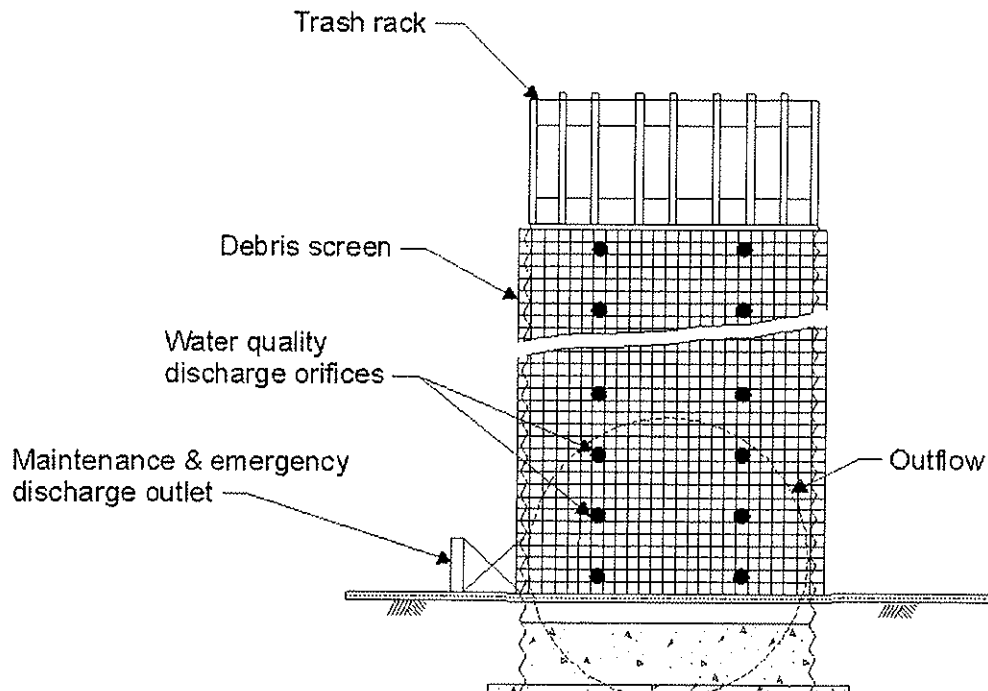


**FIGURE 2: MULTIPLE ORIFICE DESIGN**  
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### Plan

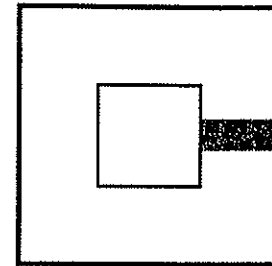
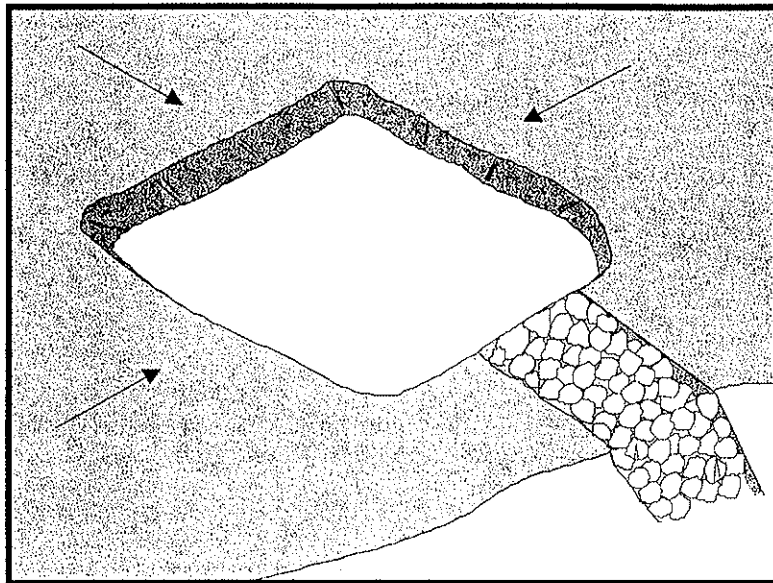


### Profile



**FIGURE 3: MULTIPLE ORIFICE OUTLET RISER  
NOT TO SCALE**





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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

A sediment trap is a temporary containment area that allows sediment in collected storm water to settle out during infiltration or before the runoff is discharged through a stabilized spillway. Sediment traps are formed by excavating or constructing an earthen embankment across a waterway or low drainage area.

### Appropriate Applications

Sediment traps may be used on construction projects where the drainage area is less than 2 ha (5 ac). Traps should be placed where sediment-laden storm water enters a storm drain or watercourse.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

As a supplemental control, sediment traps provide additional protection for a water body or for reducing sediment before it enters a drainage system.

### Limitations

Requires large surface areas to permit infiltration and settling of sediment.

Not appropriate for drainage areas greater than 2 ha (5 ac).

Only removes large and medium sized particles and requires upstream erosion control.

Attractive and dangerous to children, requiring protective fencing.

Not to be located in live streams.

Size may be limited by availability of right-of-way.

## Standards and Specifications

Construct sediment traps prior to rainy season and construction activities.

Trap shall be situated according to the following criteria: (1) by excavating a suitable area or where a low embankment can be constructed across a swale, (2) where failure would not cause loss of life or property damage, and (3) to provide access for maintenance, including sediment removal and sediment stockpiling in a protected area.

Trap shall be sized to accommodate a settling zone and sediment storage zone with recommended minimum volumes of 130 m<sup>3</sup>/ha (67 yd<sup>3</sup>/ac) and 65 m<sup>3</sup>/ha (33 yd<sup>3</sup>/ac) of contributing drainage area, respectively, based on 12.7 mm (0.5 in) of runoff volume over a 24-hr period. Multiple traps and/or additional volume may be required to accommodate site specific rainfall and soil conditions.

Traps with an impounding levee greater than 1.5 m (5 ft) tall, measured from the lowest point to the impounding area to the highest point of the levee, and traps capable of impounding more than 1000 cubic meters (35,300 cubic feet), shall be designed by a professional Civil Engineer registered with the state of California. The design must be submitted to the Resident Engineer (RE) for approval at least 7 days prior to the basin construction. The design shall include maintenance requirements, including sediment and vegetation removal, to ensure continuous function of the trap outlet and bypass structures.

Earthwork shall be in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 19 – “Earthwork”. Contractor is specifically directed to Standard Specifications Sections 19-5 and 19-6 entitled, “Compaction” and “Embankment Construction,” respectively.

Areas under embankments, structural works, and sediment traps shall be cleared and stripped of vegetation in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 16 – “Clearing and Grubbing.”

Use rock or vegetation to protect the trap outlets against erosion.

Fencing, in accordance with Standard Specifications Section 80 – “Fencing,” shall be provided to prevent unauthorized entry.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Inspect sediment traps before and after rainfall events and weekly during the rest of the rainy season. During extended rainfall events, inspect sediment traps at least every 24 hours.

If captured runoff has not completely infiltrated within 72 hours then the sediment trap must be dewatered.

Inspect trap banks for embankment seepage and structural soundness.

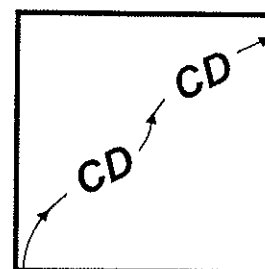
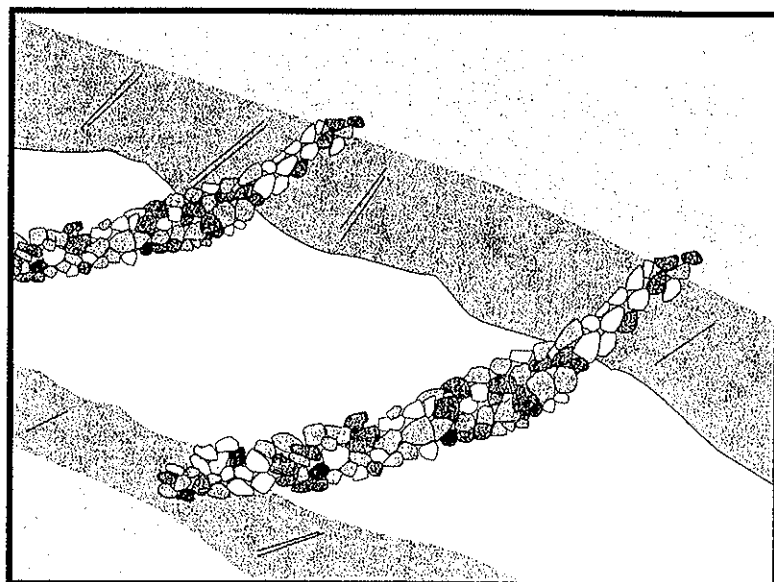
Inspect outlet structure and rock spillway for any damage or obstructions.  
Repair damage and remove obstructions as needed or as directed by the RE.

Inspect outlet area for erosion and stabilize if required, or as directed by the RE.

Remove accumulated sediment when the volume has reached one-third the original trap volume.

Properly disposed of sediment and debris removed from the trap.

Inspect fencing for damage and repair as needed or as directed by the RE.



Standard Symbol

## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

## Definition and Purpose

Check dams reduce scour and channel erosion by reducing flow velocity and encouraging sediment settlement. A check dam is a small device constructed of rock, gravel bags, sandbags, fiber rolls, or other proprietary product placed across a natural or man-made channel or drainage ditch.

## Appropriate Applications

Check dams may be installed:

- In small open channels that drain 4 ha (10 ac) or less.
- In steep channels where storm water runoff velocities exceed 1.5 m/s (4.9 ft/sec).
- During the establishment of grass linings in drainage ditches or channels.
- In temporary ditches where the short length of service does not warrant establishment of erosion-resistant linings.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

## Limitations

Not to be used in live streams.

Not appropriate in channels that drain areas greater than 4 ha (10 ac).

Not to be placed in channels that are already grass lined unless erosion is expected, as installation may damage vegetation.

Require extensive maintenance following high velocity flows.

Promotes sediment trapping, which can be re-suspended during subsequent storms or removal of the check dam.

## Standards and Specifications

Not to be constructed from straw bales or silt fence.

Check dams shall be placed at a distance and height to allow small pools to form behind them. Install the first check dam approximately 5 meters (16 ft) from the outfall device and at regular intervals based on slope gradient and soil type.

For multiple check dam installation, backwater from downstream check dam shall reach the toe of the upstream dam.

High flows (typically a 2-year storm or larger) shall safely flow over the check dam without an increase in upstream flooding or damage to the check dam.

Where grass is used to line ditches, check dams shall be removed when grass has matured sufficiently to protect the ditch or swale.

Rock shall be placed individually by hand or by mechanical methods (no dumping of rock) to achieve complete ditch or swale coverage.

Fiber rolls may be used as check dams if approved by the RE or the Construction NPDES Coordinator. Refer to SC-5 "Fiber Rolls."

Gravel bags may be used as check dams with the following specifications:

### **Materials**

- **Bag Material:** Bags shall be either polypropylene, polyethylene or polyamide woven fabric, minimum unit weight 135 g/m<sup>2</sup> (four ounces per square yard), mullen burst strength exceeding 2,070 kPa (300 psi) in conformance with the requirements in ASTM designation D3786, and ultraviolet stability exceeding 70% in conformance with the requirements in ASTM designation D4355.
- **Bag Size:** Each gravel-filled bag shall have a length of 450 mm (18 in), width of 300 mm (12 in), thickness of 75 mm (3 in), and mass of approximately 15 kg (33 lb). Bag dimensions are nominal, and may vary based on locally available materials. Alternative bag sizes shall be submitted to the RE for approval prior to deployment.
- **Fill Material:** Fill material shall be between 10 mm and 20 mm (0.4 and 0.8 inch) in diameter, and shall be clean and free from clay balls, organic matter, and other deleterious materials. The opening of gravel-filled bags shall be secured such that gravel does not escape. Gravel-filled bags shall be between 13 kg and 22 kg (28 and 48 lb) in mass. Fill material is subject to approval by the RE.

### **Installation**

- Install along a level contour.
- Tightly abut bags and stack gravel bags using a pyramid approach.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Gravel bags shall not be stacked any higher than 1 meter (3.2 ft).

- Upper rows of gravel bags shall overlap joints in lower rows.  
Inspect check dams after each significant rainfall event. Repair damage as needed or as required by the RE.

Remove sediment when depth reaches one-third of the check dam height.

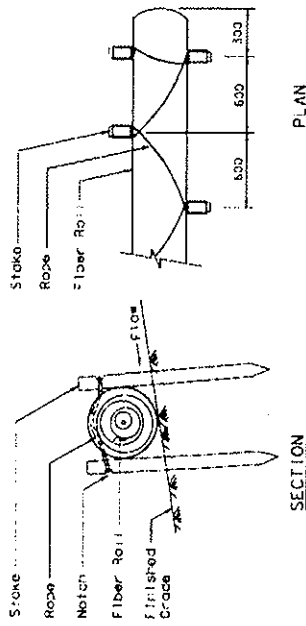
Remove accumulated sediment prior to permanent seeding or soil stabilization.

Remove check dam and accumulated sediment when check dams are no longer needed or when required by the RE.

Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications.

# Check Dams

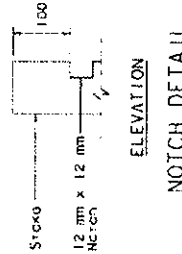
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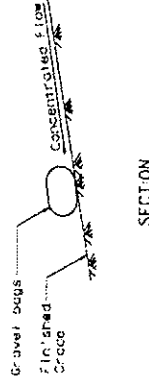
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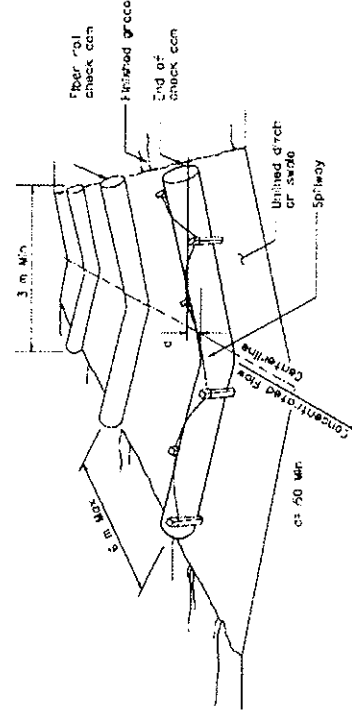


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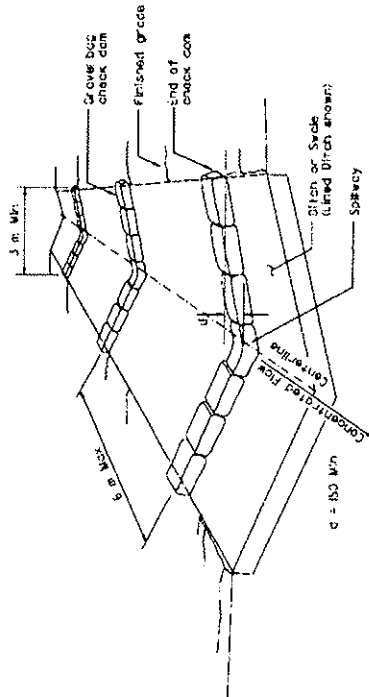
Splway depth should be maintained to prevent flanking of concentrated flow around the ends of check dam.

TEMPORARY CHECK DAM (TYPE 2)



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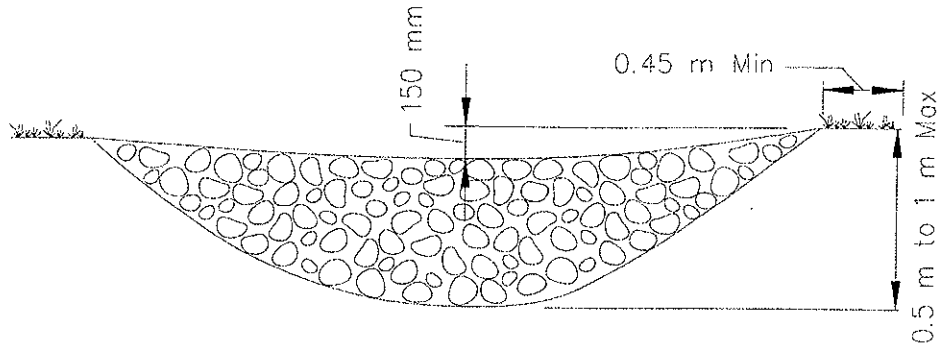
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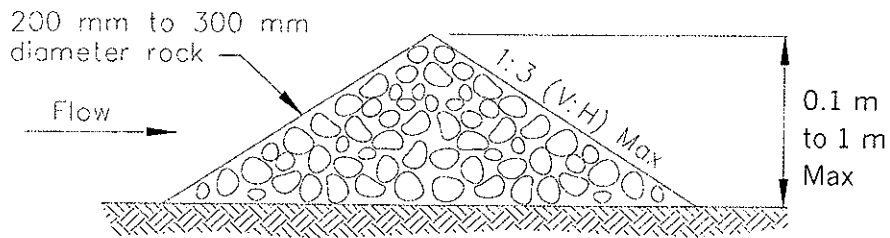
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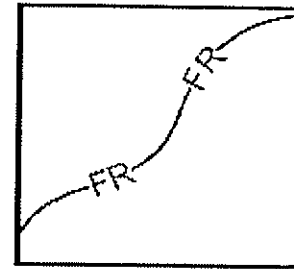
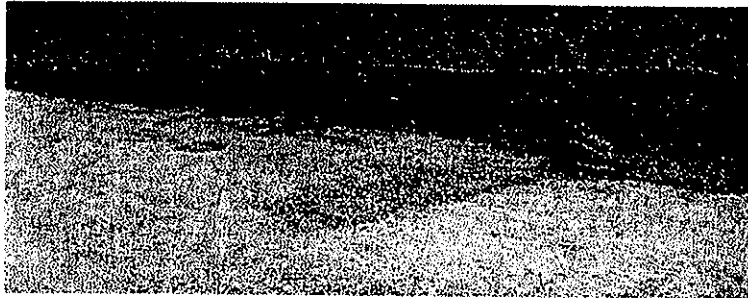
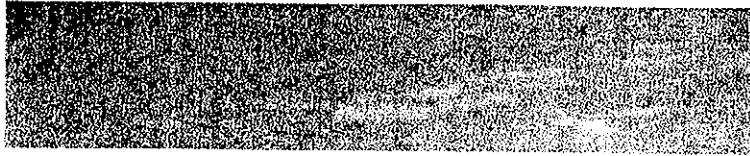


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TYPICAL ROCK CHECK DAM SECTION

ROCK CHECK DAM  
NOT TO SCALE



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

A fiber roll consists of wood excelsior, rice or wheat straw, or coconut fibers that is rolled or bound into a tight tubular roll and placed on the toe and face of slopes to intercept runoff, reduce its flow velocity, release the runoff as sheet flow and provide removal of sediment from the runoff. Fiber rolls may also be used for inlet protection and as check dams under certain situations.

### Appropriate Applications

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the RE.

Along the toe, top, face, and at grade breaks of exposed and erodible slopes to shorten slope length and spread runoff as sheet flow.

Below the toe of exposed and erodible slopes.

Fiber rolls may be used as check dams in unlined ditches if approved by the Resident Engineer (RE) or the District Construction Storm Water Coordinator (refer to SC-4 "Check Dams").

Fiber rolls may be used for drain inlet protection if approved by the RE or the District Construction Storm Water Coordinator (refer to SC-10 "Storm Drain Inlet Protection").

Down-slope of exposed soil areas.

Around temporary stockpiles.

Along the perimeter of a project.

## Limitations

Runoff and erosion may occur if fiber roll is not adequately trenched in.

Fiber rolls at the toe of slopes greater than 1:5 may require the use of 500 mm (20" diameter) or installations achieving the same protection (i.e., stacked smaller diameter fiber rolls, etc.).

Fiber rolls may be used for drainage inlet protection if they can be properly anchored.

Difficult to move once saturated.

Fiber rolls could be transported by high flows if not properly staked and trenched in.

Fiber rolls have limited sediment capture zone.

Do not use fiber rolls on slopes subject to creep, slumping, or landslide.

## Standards and Specifications

### ***Fiber Roll Materials***

Fiber rolls shall be either:

- (1) Prefabricated rolls.
- (2) Rolled tubes of erosion control blanket.

### ***Assembly of Field Rolled Fiber Roll***

Roll length of erosion control blanket into a tube of minimum 200 mm (8 in) diameter.

Bind roll at each end and every 1.2 m (4 ft) along length of roll with jute-type twine.

### ***Installation***

Slope inclination of 1:4 or flatter: fiber rolls shall be placed on slopes 6.0 m apart.

Slope inclination of 1:4 to 1:2: fiber rolls shall be placed on slopes 4.5 m apart.

Slope inclination 1:2 or greater: fiber rolls shall be placed on slopes 3.0 m apart.

Stake fiber rolls into a 50 to 100 mm (2 to 4 in) trench.

Drive stakes at the end of each fiber roll and spaced 600 mm (2 ft) apart if Type 2 installation is used (refer to Page 4). Otherwise, space stakes 1.2 m (4 ft) maximum on center if installed as shown on Pages 5 and 6.

Use wood stakes with a nominal classification of 19 by 19 mm (3/4 by 3/4 in), and minimum length of 600 mm (24 in).

If more than one fiber roll is placed in a row, the rolls shall be overlapped; not abutted.

## **Removal**

Fiber rolls are typically left in place.

If fiber rolls are removed, collect and dispose of sediment accumulation, and fill and compact holes, trenches, depressions or any other ground disturbance to blend with adjacent ground.

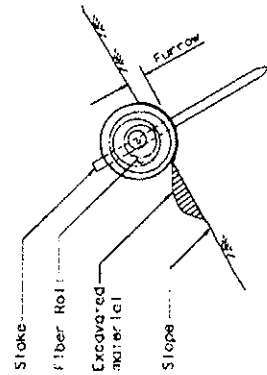
## **Maintenance and Inspection**

Repair or replace split, torn, unraveling, or slumping fiber rolls.

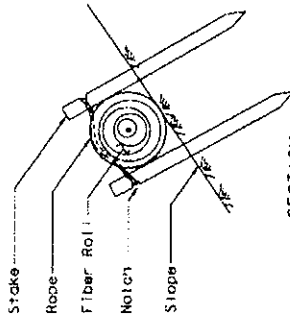
Inspect fiber rolls when rain is forecast. Perform maintenance as needed or as required by the RE.

Inspect fiber rolls following rainfall events and at least daily during prolonged rainfall. Perform maintenance as needed or as required by the RE.

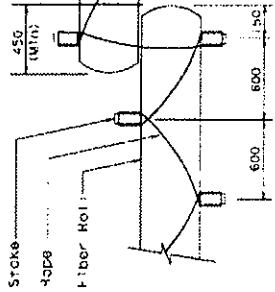
Maintain fiber rolls to provide an adequate sediment holding capacity. Sediment shall be removed when the sediment accumulation reaches three quarters (3/4) of the barrier height. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications.



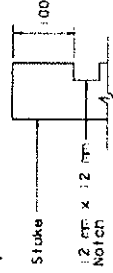
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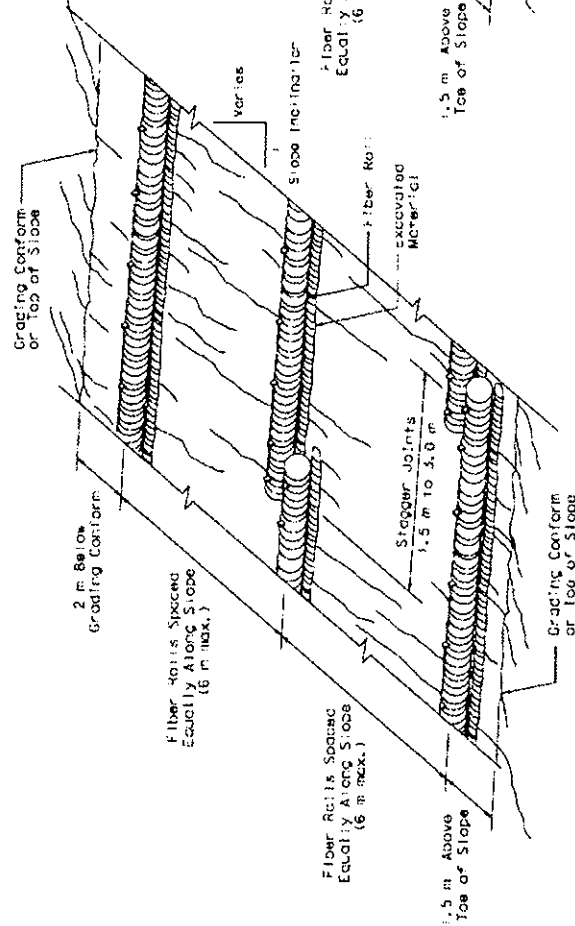
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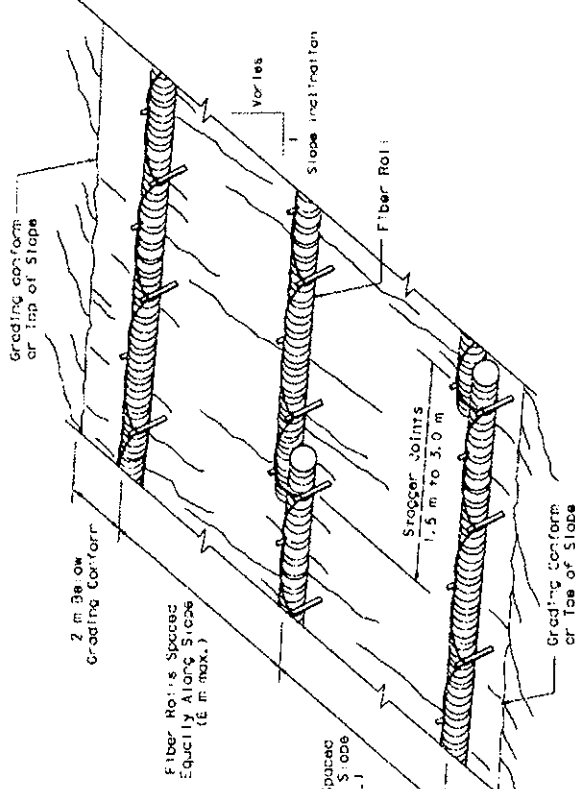
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1. Temporary fiber roll spacing varies depending upon slope inclination.



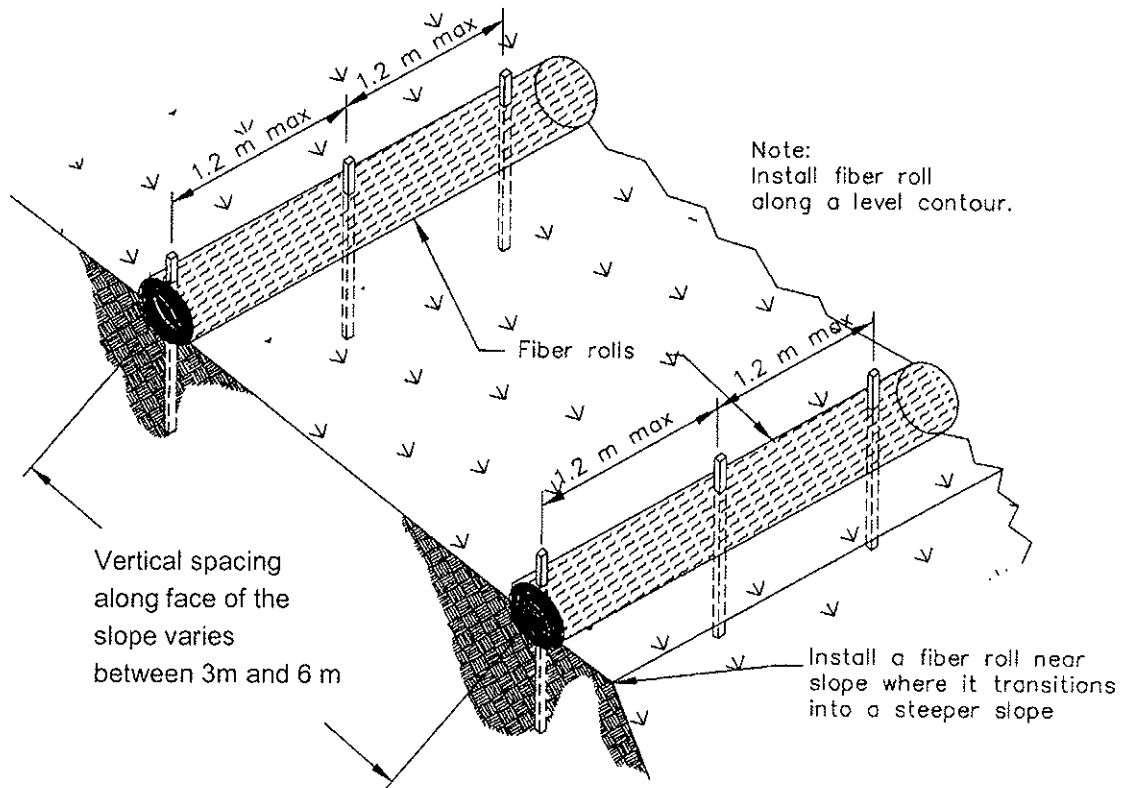
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TEMPORARY FIBER ROLL (TYPE 1)

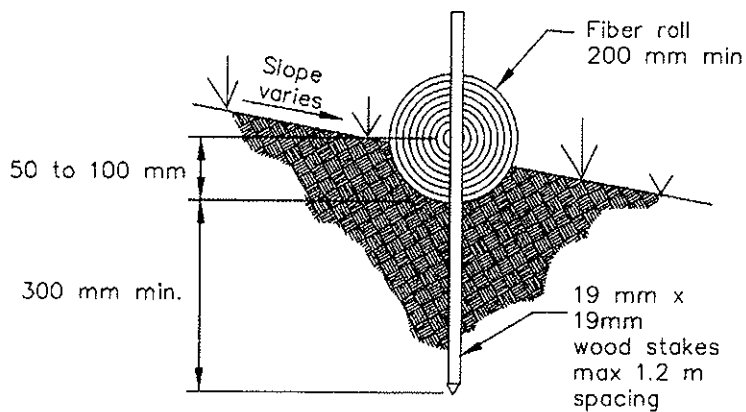


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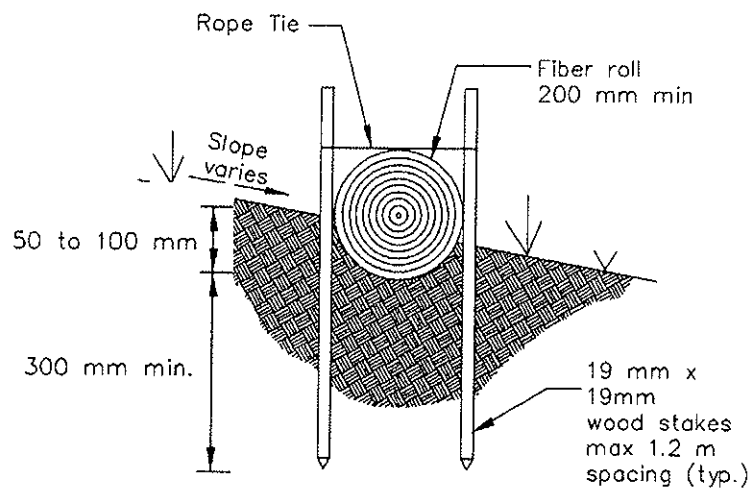
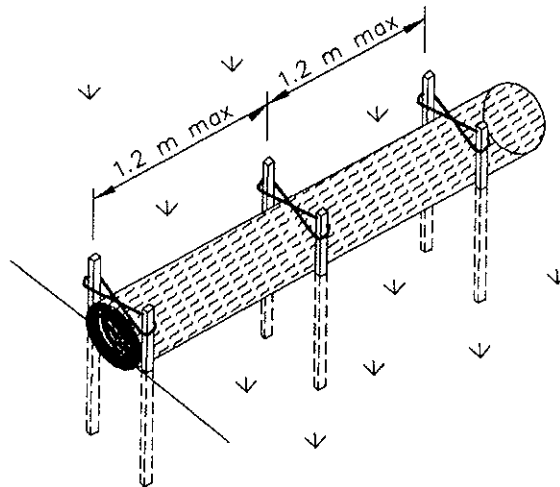
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TYPICAL FIBER ROLL INSTALLATION  
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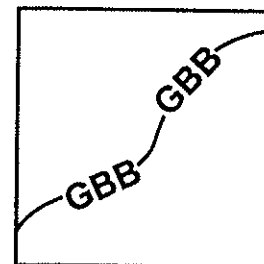
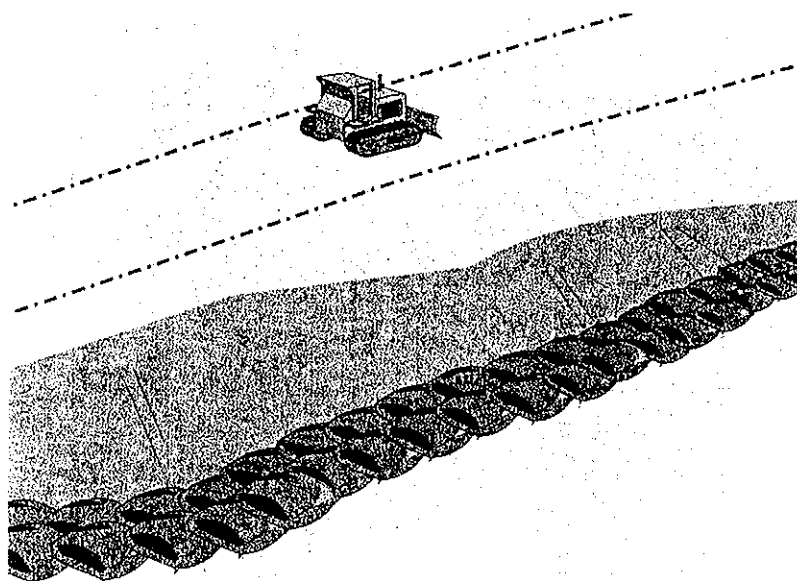


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OPTIONAL ENTRENCHMENT DETAIL

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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

A gravel bag berm consists of a single row of gravel bags that are installed end to end to form a barrier across a slope to intercept runoff, reduce its flow velocity, release the runoff as sheet flow and provide some sediment removal. Gravel bags can be used where flows are moderately concentrated, such as ditches, swales, and storm drain inlets (see BMP SC-10, Storm Drain Inlet Protection) to divert and/or detain flows.

### Appropriate Applications

BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the RE.

Along streams and channels.

Below the toe of exposed and erodible slopes.

Down slope of exposed soil areas.

Around stockpiles.

Across channels to serve as a barrier for utility trenches or provide a temporary channel crossing for construction equipment, to reduce stream impacts.

Parallel to a roadway to keep sediment off paved areas.

At the top of slopes to divert roadway runoff away from disturbed slopes.

Along the perimeter of a site.

To divert or direct flow or create a temporary sediment basin.

During construction activities in stream beds when the contributing drainage



area is less than 2 ha (5 ac).

When extended construction period limits the use of either silt fences or straw bale barriers.

When site conditions or construction sequencing require adjustments or relocation of the barrier to meet changing field conditions and needs during construction.

At grade breaks of exposed and erodible slopes to shorten slope length and spread runoff as sheet flow.

## Limitations

Degraded gravel bags may rupture when removed, spilling contents.

Installation can be labor intensive.

Limited durability for long term projects.

When used to detain concentrated flows, maintenance requirements increase.

## Standards and Specifications

### Materials

**Bag Material:** Bags shall be woven polypropylene, polyethylene or polyamide fabric, minimum unit weight 135 g/m<sup>2</sup> (four ounces per square yard), mullen burst strength exceeding 2,070 kPa (300 psi) in conformance with the requirements in ASTM designation D3786, and ultraviolet stability exceeding 70% in conformance with the requirements in ASTM designation D4355.

**Bag Size:** Each gravel-filled bag shall have a length of 450 mm (18 in), width of 300 mm (12 in), thickness of 75 mm (3 in), and mass of approximately 15 kg (33 lb). Bag dimensions are nominal, and may vary based on locally available materials. Alternative bag sizes shall be submitted to the RE for approval prior to deployment.

**Fill Material:** Gravel shall be between 10 mm and 20 mm (0.4 and 0.8 inch) in diameter, and shall be clean and free from clay balls, organic matter, and other deleterious materials. The opening of gravel-filled bags shall be between 13 kg and 22 kg (28 and 48 lb) in mass. Fill material is subject to approval by the RE.

### Installation

When used as a linear control for sediment removal:

- Install along a level contour.
- Turn ends of gravel bag row up slope to prevent flow around the ends.
- Generally, gravel bag barriers shall be used in conjunction with temporary soil stabilization controls up slope to provide effective erosion and sediment

control.

When used for concentrated flows:

- Stack gravel bags to required height using a pyramid approach.
- Upper rows of gravel bags shall overlap joints in lower rows.

Construct gravel bag barriers with a set-back of at least 1m from the toe of a slope. Where it is determined to be not practicable due to specific site conditions, the gravel bag barrier may be constructed at the toe of the slope, but shall be constructed as far from the toe of the slope as practicable.

Requires Certificate of Compliance per Standard Specifications 6-1.07.

## Maintenance and Inspection

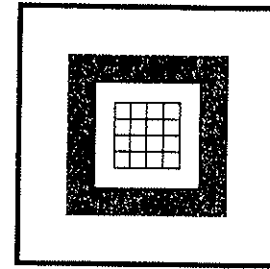
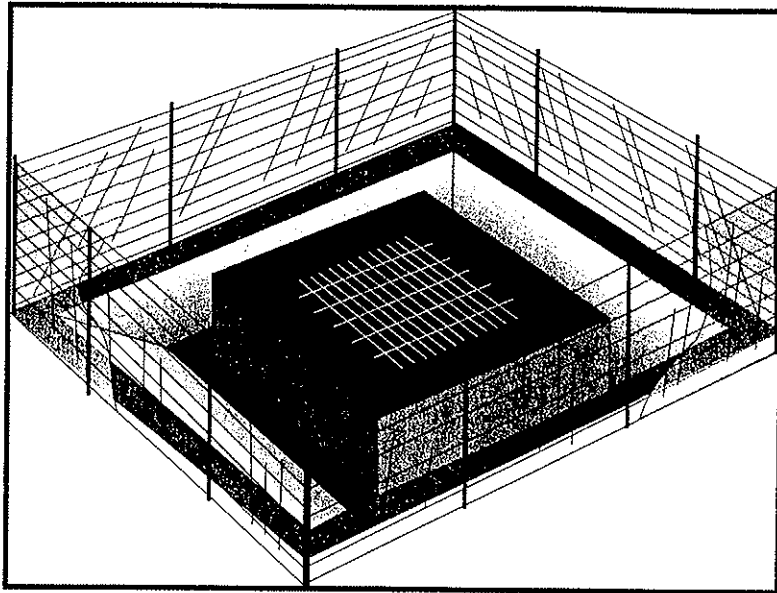
Inspect gravel bag berms before and after each rainfall event, and weekly throughout the rainy season.

Reshape or replace gravel bags as needed, or as directed by the RE.

Repair washouts or other damages as needed, or as directed by the RE.

Inspect gravel bag berms for sediment accumulations and remove sediments when accumulation reaches one-third of the berm height. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications.

Remove gravel bag berms when no longer needed. Remove sediment accumulations and clean, re-grade, and stabilize the area.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

Devices used at storm drain inlets that are subject to runoff from construction activities to detain and/or to filter sediment-laden runoff to allow sediment to settle and/or to filter sediment prior to discharge into storm drainage systems or watercourses.

### Appropriate Applications

- Where ponding will not encroach into highway traffic.
- Where sediment laden surface runoff may enter an inlet.
- Where disturbed drainage areas have not yet been permanently stabilized.
- Where the drainage area is 0.4 ha (1 ac) or less.
- Appropriate during wet and snow-melt seasons.

### Limitations

- Requires an adequate area for water to pond without encroaching upon traveled way and should not present itself to be an obstacle to oncoming traffic.
- May require other methods of temporary protection to prevent sediment-laden storm water and non-storm water discharges from entering the storm drain system.
- Sediment removal may be difficult in high flow conditions or if runoff is heavily sediment laden. If high flow conditions are expected, use other on-site sediment trapping techniques (e.g. check dams) in conjunction with inlet protection.
- Frequent maintenance is required.
- For drainage areas larger than 0.4 ha (1 ac), runoff shall be routed to a sediment trapping device designed for larger flows. See BMPs SC-2, "Sediment/Desilting Basin," and SC-3 "Sediment Trap."

Filter fabric fence inlet protection is appropriate in open areas that are subject to sheet flow and for flows not exceeding 0.014 m<sup>3</sup>/s (0.5 cfs).

Gravel bag barriers for inlet protection are applicable when sheet flows or concentrated flows exceed 0.014 m<sup>3</sup>/s (0.5 cfs), and it is necessary to allow for overtopping to prevent flooding.

Fiber rolls and foam barriers are not appropriate for locations where they cannot be properly anchored to the surface.

Excavated drop inlet sediment traps are appropriate where relatively heavy flows are expected and overflow capability is needed.

**Standards and Specifications** Identify existing and/or planned storm drain inlets that have the potential to receive sediment-laden surface runoff. Determine if storm drain inlet protection is needed, and which method to use.

### **Methods and Installation**

**DI Protection Type 1 - Filter Fabric Fence** - The filter fabric fence (Type 1) protection is illustrated on Page 5. Similar to constructing a silt fence. See BMP SC-1, "Silt Fence." Do not place filter fabric underneath the inlet grate since the collected sediment may fall into the drain inlet when the fabric is removed or replaced.

**DI Protection Type 2 - Excavated Drop Inlet Sediment Trap** - The excavated drop inlet sediment trap (Type 2) is illustrated in Page 6. Similar to constructing a temporary silt fence, See BMP SC-1, "Silt Fence." Size excavated trap to provide a minimum storage capacity calculated at the rate of 130 m<sup>3</sup>/ha (67 yd<sup>3</sup>/ac) of drainage area.

**DI Protection Type 3 - Gravel bag** - The gravel bag barrier (Type 3) is illustrated in Page 7. Flow from a severe storm shall not overtop the curb. In areas of high clay and silts, use filter fabric and gravel as additional filter media. Construct gravel bags in accordance with BMP SC-6, "Gravel Bag Berm." Gravel bags shall be used due to their high permeability.

**DI Protection Type 4 - Foam Barriers and Fiber Rolls** - Foam barrier or fiber roll (Type 4) is placed around the inlet and keyed and anchored to the surface. Foam barriers and fiber rolls are intended for use as inlet protection where the area around the inlet is unpaved and the foam barrier or fiber roll can be secured to the surface. RE or Construction Storm Water Coordinator approval is required.

**Maintenance and Inspection** **General**

Inspect all inlet protection devices before and after every rainfall event, and weekly during the rest of the rainy season. During extended rainfall events, inspect inlet protection devices at least once every 24 hours.

Inspect the storm drain inlet after severe storms in the rainy season to check for bypassed material.

Remove all inlet protection devices within thirty days after the site is stabilized, or when the inlet protection is no longer needed.

- Bring the disturbed area to final grade and smooth and compact it. Appropriately stabilize all bare areas around the inlet.
- Clean and re-grade area around the inlet and clean the inside of the storm drain inlet as it must be free of sediment and debris at the time of final inspection.

## ***Requirements by Method***

### ***Type 1 - Filter Fabric Fence***

- This method shall be used for drain inlets requiring protection in areas where finished grade is established and erosion control seeding has been applied or is pending.
- Make sure the stakes are securely driven in the ground and are structurally sound (i.e., not bent, cracked, or splintered, and are reasonably perpendicular to the ground). Replace damaged stakes.
- Replace or clean the fabric when the fabric becomes clogged with sediment. Make sure the fabric does not have any holes or tears. Repair or replace fabric as needed or as directed by the RE.
- At a minimum, remove the sediment behind the fabric fence when accumulation reaches one-third the height of the fence or barrier height. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications Section 7-1.13.

### ***Type 2 - Excavated Drop Inlet Sediment Trap***

- This method may be used for drain inlets requiring protection in areas that have been cleared and grubbed, and where exposed soil areas are subject to grading.
- Remove sediment from basin when the volume of the basin has been reduced by one-half.

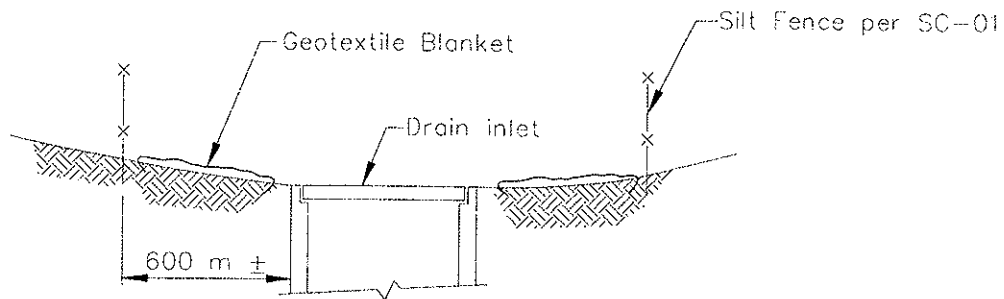
### ***Type 3 - Gravel Bag Barrier***

- This method may be used for drain inlets surrounded by AC or paved surfaces.
- Inspect bags for holes, gashes, and snags.

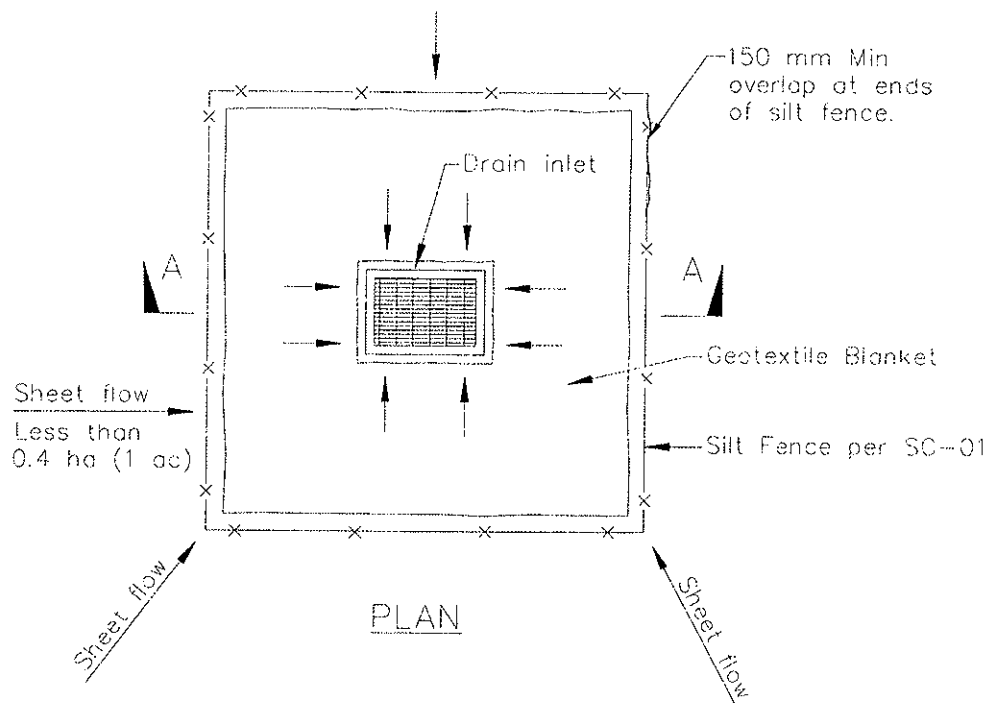
- Check gravel bags for proper arrangement and displacement. Remove the sediment behind the barrier when it reaches one-third the height of the barrier. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications Section 7-1.13.

## *Type 4 Foam Barriers and Fiber Rolls*

- This method may be used for drain inlets requiring protection in areas that have been cleared and grubbed, and where exposed soil areas subject to grading. RE or Construction Storm Coordinator approval is required.
- Check foam barrier or fiber roll for proper arrangement and displacement. Remove the sediment behind the barrier when it reaches one-third the height of the barrier. Removed sediment shall be incorporated in the project at locations designated by the RE or disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the Standard Specifications.



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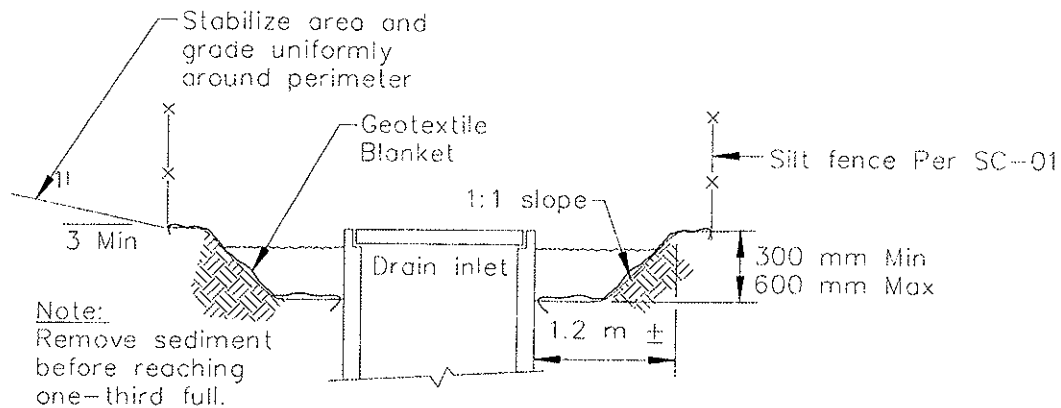


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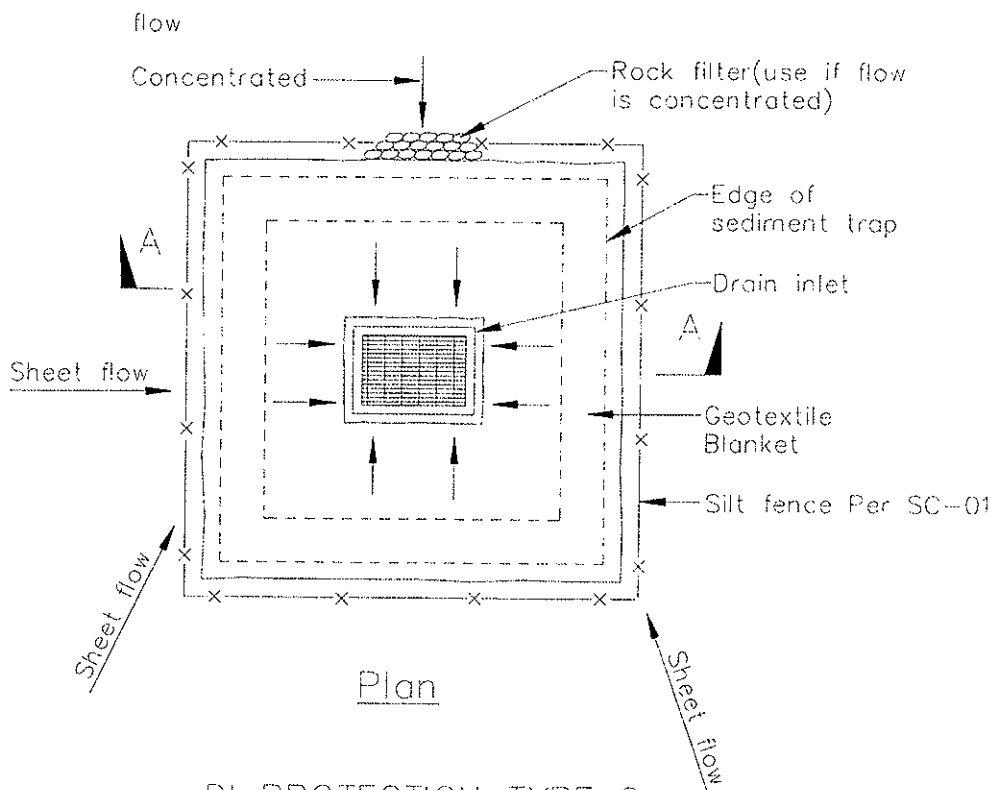
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NOTES:

1. For use in areas where grading has been completed and final soil stabilization and seeding are pending.
2. Not applicable in paved areas.
3. Not applicable with concentrated flows.



Section A-A



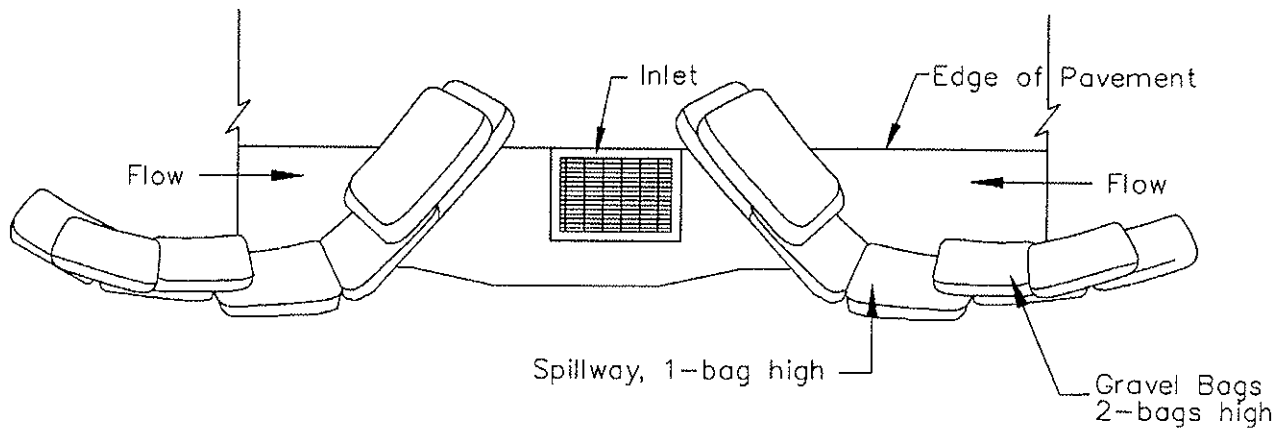
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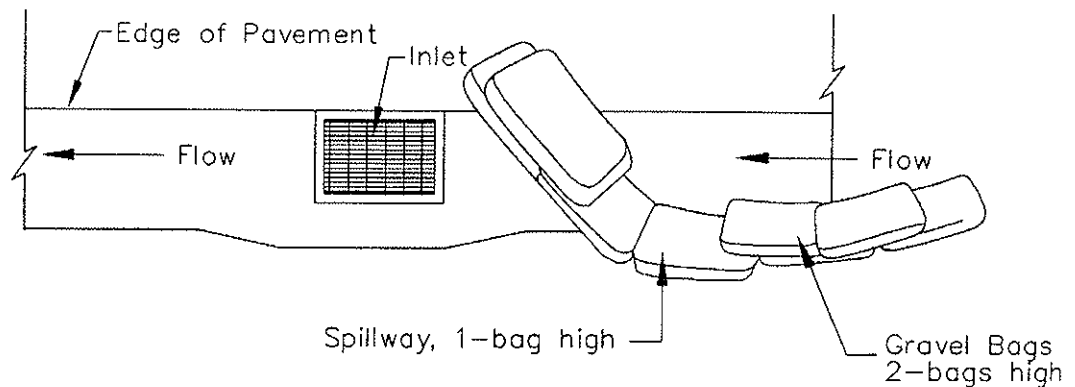
### Notes

1. For use in cleared and grubbed and in graded areas.
2. Shape basin so that longest inflow area faces longest length of trap.
3. For concentrated flows, shape basin in 2:1 ratio with length oriented towards direction of flow.





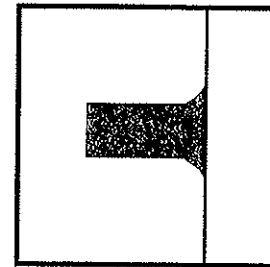
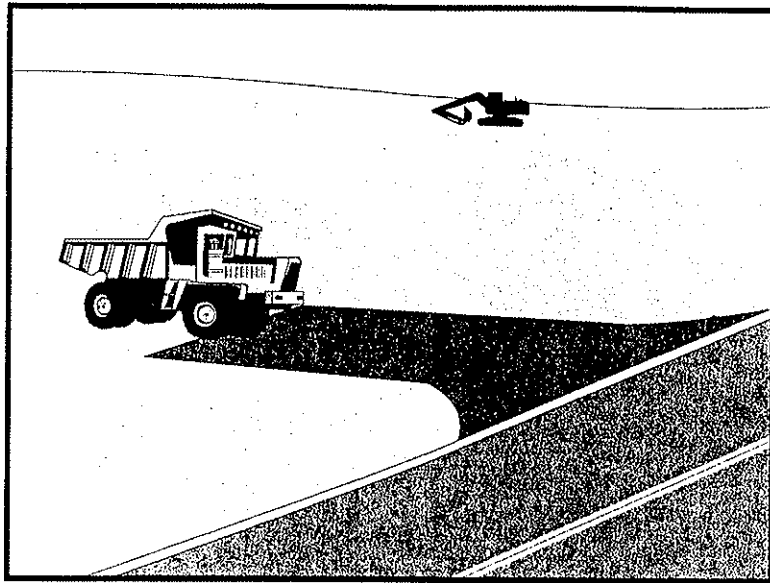
TYPICAL PROTECTION FOR INLET WITH OPPOSING FLOW DIRECTIONS



TYPICAL PROTECTION FOR INLET WITH SINGLE FLOW DIRECTION

NOTES:

1. Intended for short-term use.
2. Use to inhibit non-storm water flow.
3. Allow for proper maintenance and cleanup.
4. Bags must be removed after adjacent operation is completed
5. Not applicable in areas with high silts and clays without filter fabric.



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## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

## Definition and Purpose

A stabilized construction access is defined by a point of entrance/exit to a construction site that is stabilized to reduce the tracking of mud and dirt onto public roads by construction vehicles.

## Appropriate Applications

Use at construction sites:

- Where dirt or mud can be tracked onto public roads.
- Adjacent to water bodies.
- Where poor soils are encountered.
- Where dust is a problem during dry weather conditions.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis in addition to other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

## Limitations

Site conditions will dictate design and need.

## Standards and Specifications

Limit the points of entrance/exit to the construction site.

Limit speed of vehicles to control dust.

Properly grade each construction entrance/exit to prevent runoff from leaving the construction site.

Route runoff from stabilized entrances/exits through a sediment-trapping device before discharge.

Design stabilized entrance/exit to support the heaviest vehicles and equipment that will use it.

Select construction access stabilization (aggregate, asphaltic concrete, concrete) based on longevity, required performance, and site conditions. The use of asphalt concrete (AC) grindings for stabilized construction access/roadway is not allowed.

Use of constructed/manufactured steel plates with ribs for entrance/exit access is allowed with written approval from the RE.

If aggregate is selected, place crushed aggregate over geotextile fabric to at least 300 mm (12 in) depth, or place aggregate to a depth recommended by the RE. Crushed aggregate greater than 75 mm (3 inches) and smaller than 150 mm (6 inches) shall be used.

Designate combination or single purpose entrances and exits to the construction site.

Implement BMP SC-7, "Street Sweeping and Vacuuming" as needed and as required.

Require all employees, subcontractors, and suppliers to utilize the stabilized construction access.

All exit locations intended to be used continuously and for a period of time shall have stabilized construction entrance/exit BMPs (TC-1 "Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit" or TC-3 "Entrance/Outlet Tire Wash").

## Maintenance and Inspection

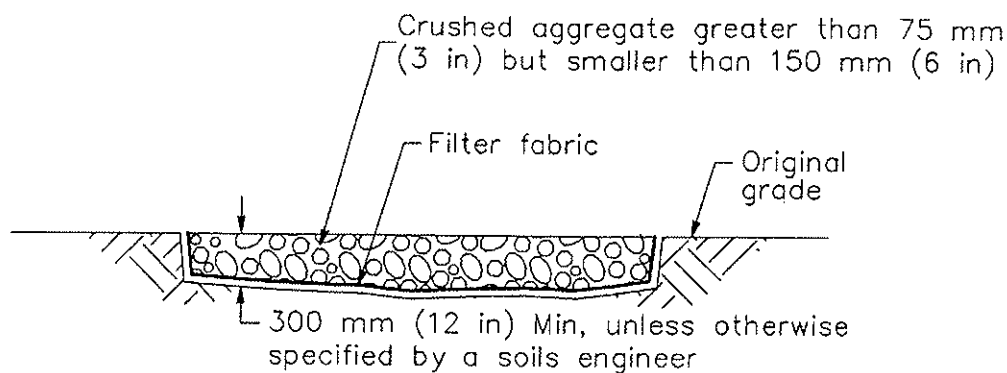
Inspect routinely for damage and assess effectiveness of the BMP. Remove aggregate, separate and dispose of sediment if construction entrance/exit is clogged with sediment or as directed by the RE.

Keep all temporary roadway ditches clear.

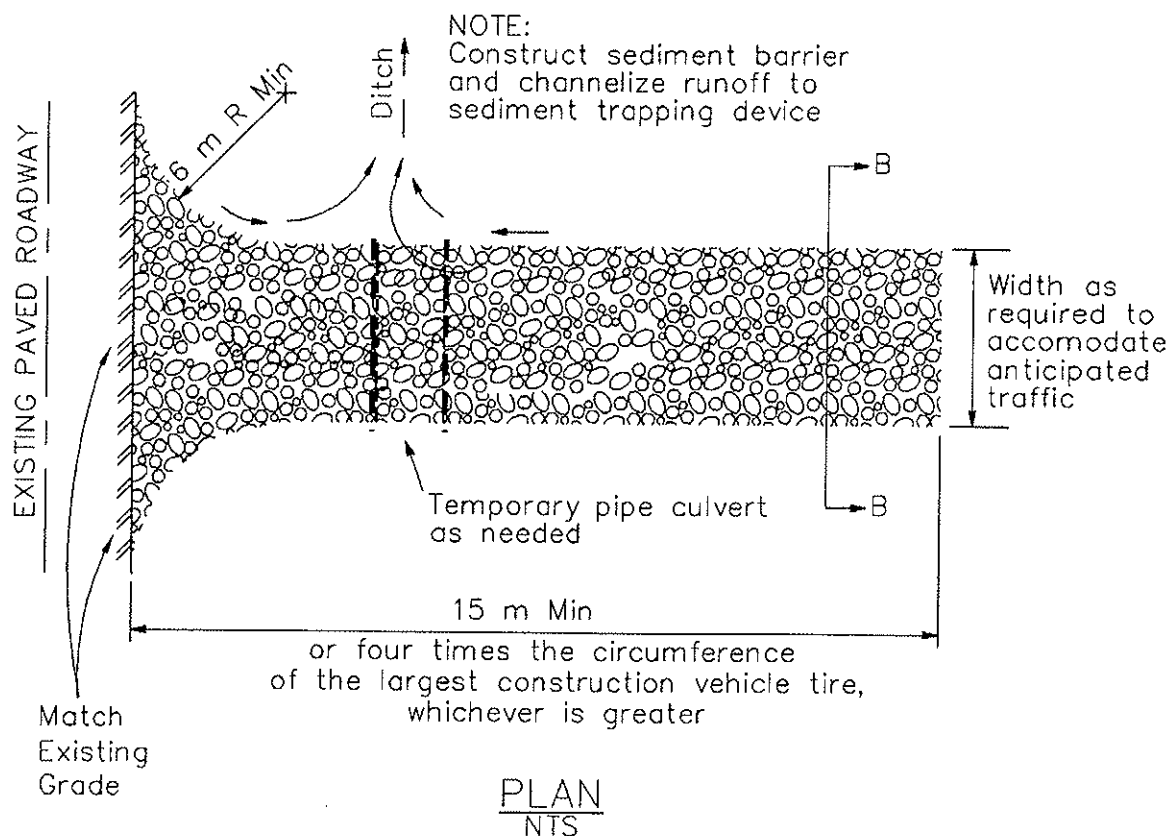
Inspect for damage and repair as needed.

# Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit

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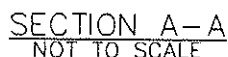


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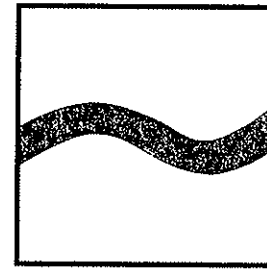
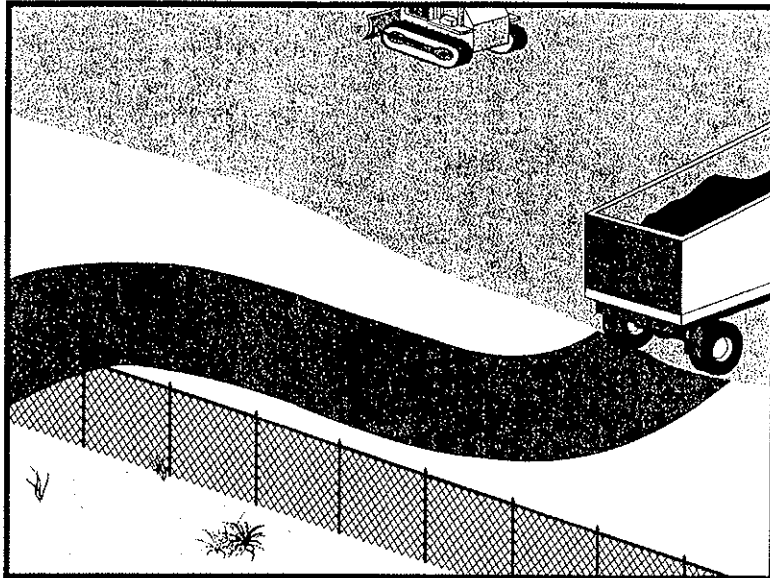
Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit (Type 1)



**TC-1**

The diagram illustrates a plan view of a road construction detail. On the left, an "EXISTING PAVED ROADWAY" is shown with a hatched pattern. A "Match Existing Grade" line is indicated. A "Ditch" is shown on the right side of the new section. The new section consists of a central area of "Corrugated steel panels" flanked by areas of aggregate material. The width of the aggregate area on the right is specified as "3 m min or as required to accomodate anticipated traffic, whichever is greater." The width of the corrugated steel panels is "7.3 m. (min.)". The total width of the new section is "15 m Min" or "or four times the circumference of the largest construction vehicle tire, whichever is greater". A "6 m R Min" (6 m radius minimum) is shown for the transition curve. A small inset shows a cross-section of the ditch. The diagram is labeled "PLAN" and "NTS" (Not To Scale).

### Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit (Type 2)



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** A stabilized construction roadway is a temporary access road. It is designed for the control of dust and erosion created by vehicular tracking.

### Appropriate Applications

Construction roadways and short-term detour roads:

- Where mud tracking is a problem during wet weather.
- Where dust is a problem during dry weather.
- Adjacent to water bodies.
- Where poor soils are encountered.
- Where there are steep grades and additional traction is needed.

This BMP may be implemented on a project-by-project basis with other BMPs when determined necessary and feasible by the Resident Engineer (RE).

### Limitations

Materials will likely need to be removed prior to final project grading and stabilization.

Site conditions will dictate design and need.

May not be applicable to very short duration projects.

Limit speed of vehicles to control dust.

## Standards and Specifications

Properly grade roadway to prevent runoff from leaving the construction site.

Design stabilized access to support the heaviest vehicles and equipment that will use it.

Stabilize roadway using aggregate, asphalt concrete, or concrete based on longevity, required performance, and site conditions. The use of cold mix asphalt or asphalt concrete (AC) grindings for stabilized construction roadway is not allowed.

Coordinate materials with those used for stabilized construction entrance/exit points.

If aggregate is selected, place crushed aggregate over geotextile fabric to at least 300 mm (12 in) depth, or place aggregate to a depth recommended by the RE or Construction Storm Water Coordinator. Crushed aggregate greater than 75 mm (3 inches) and smaller than 150 mm (6 inches) shall be used.

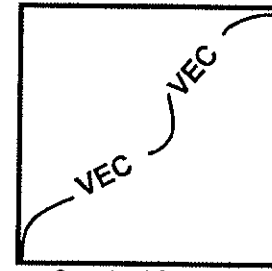
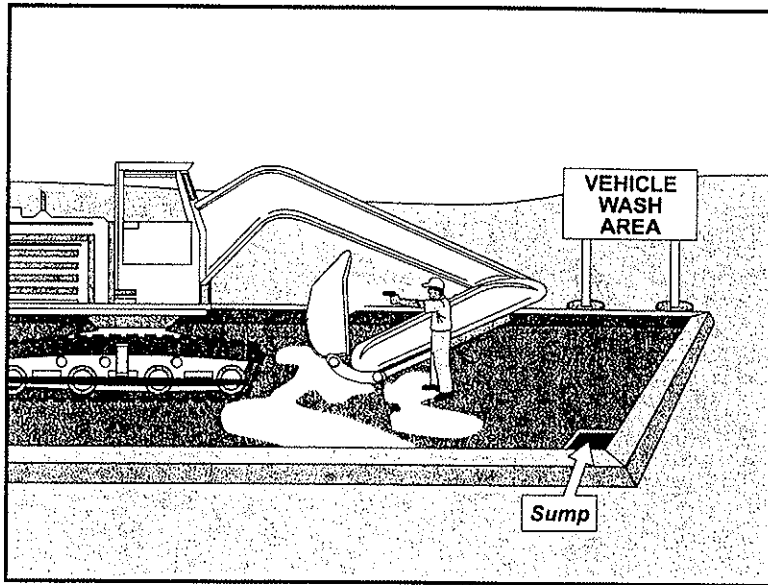
## Maintenance and Inspection

Inspect routinely for damage and repair as needed, or as directed by the RE.

Keep all temporary roadway ditches clear.

When no longer required, remove stabilized construction roadway and re-grade and repair slopes.

# Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning

**NS-8**

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## BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Vehicle and equipment cleaning procedures and practices are used to minimize or eliminate the discharge of pollutants from vehicle and equipment cleaning operations to storm drain system or to watercourses.

**Appropriate Applications** These procedures are applied on all construction sites where vehicle and equipment cleaning is performed.

**Limitations** None.

**Standards and Specifications** On-site vehicle and equipment washing is discouraged.

Cleaning of vehicles and equipment with soap, solvents or steam shall not occur on the project site unless the Resident Engineer (RE) has been notified in advance and the resulting wastes are fully contained and disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the provisions in the Standard Specifications Section 7-1.13. Resulting wastes and by-products shall not be discharged or buried within the highway right-of-way, and must be captured and recycled or disposed according to the requirements of WM-10, "Liquid Waste Management" or WM-6, "Hazardous Waste Management," depending on the waste characteristics. Minimize use of solvents. The use of diesel for vehicle and equipment cleaning is prohibited.

Vehicle and equipment wash water shall be contained for percolation or evaporative drying away from storm drain inlets or watercourses and shall not be discharged within the highway right-of-way. Apply sediment control BMPs if applicable.

All vehicles/equipment that regularly enter and leave the construction site must be cleaned off-site.

When vehicle/equipment washing/cleaning must occur onsite, and the





operation cannot be located within a structure or building equipped with appropriate disposal facilities, the outside cleaning area shall have the following characteristics, and shall be arranged with the construction storm water coordinator:

- Located away from storm drain inlets, drainage facilities, or watercourses.
- Paved with concrete or asphalt and bermed to contain wash waters and to prevent run-on and runoff.
- Configured with a sump to allow collection and disposal of wash water.
- Wash waters shall not be discharged to storm drains or watercourses.
- Used only when necessary.

When cleaning vehicles/equipment with water:

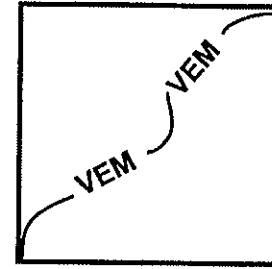
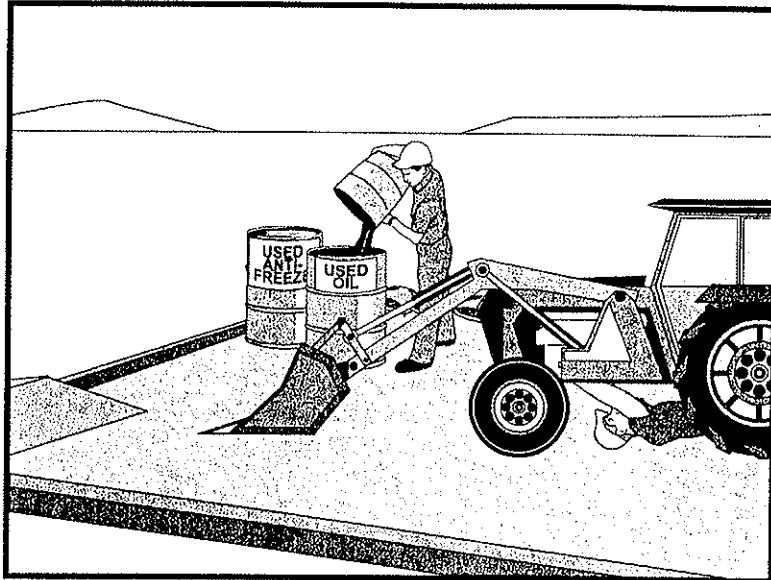
- Use as little water as possible. High pressure sprayers may use less water than a hose, and shall be considered.
- Use positive shutoff valve to minimize water usage.
- Facility wash racks shall discharge to a sanitary sewer, recycle system or other approved discharge system and shall not discharge to the storm drainage system or watercourses.

## Maintenance and Inspection

The control measure shall be inspected at a minimum of once a week.

Monitor employees and subcontractors throughout the duration of the construction project to ensure appropriate practices are being implemented.

Inspect sump regularly and remove liquids and sediment as needed or as directed by the RE.



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## BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Procedures and practices to minimize or eliminate the discharge of pollutants to the storm drain systems or to watercourses from vehicle and equipment maintenance procedures.

**Appropriate Applications** These procedures are applied on all construction projects where an onsite yard area is necessary for storage and maintenance of heavy equipment and vehicles.

**Limitations** None identified.

**Standards and Specifications** Drip pans or absorbent pads shall be used during vehicle and equipment maintenance work that involves fluids, unless the maintenance work is performed over an impermeable surface in a dedicated maintenance area.

All maintenance areas are required to have spill kits and/or use other spill protection devices.

Dedicated maintenance areas shall be protected from storm water run-on and runoff, and shall be located at least 15 m (50 ft) from downstream drainage facilities and watercourses.

Drip Pans or plastic sheeting shall be placed under all vehicles and equipment placed on docks, barges, or other structures over water bodies when the vehicle or equipment is planned to be idle for more than one hour.

Absorbent spill clean-up materials shall be available in maintenance areas and shall be disposed of properly after use. Substances used to coat asphalt transport trucks and asphalt-spreading equipment shall be non-toxic.

Use off-site maintenance facilities whenever practical.

For long-term projects, consider constructing roofs or using portable tents over maintenance areas.

Properly dispose of used oils, fluids, lubricants, and spill cleanup materials.

Do not dump fuels and lubricants onto the ground.

Do not place used oil in a dumpster or pour into a storm drain or watercourse.

Properly dispose or recycle used batteries.

Do not bury used tires.

Repair of fluid and oil leaks immediately.

Provide spill containment dikes or secondary containment around stored oil and chemical drums.

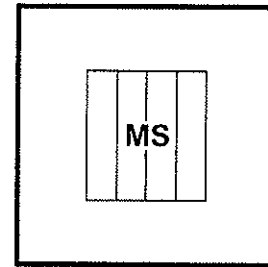
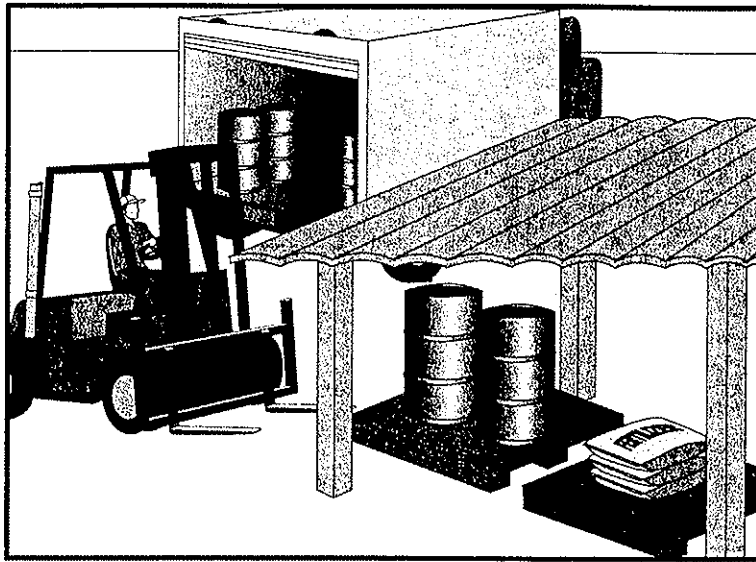
## Maintenance and Inspection

Maintain waste fluid containers in leak proof condition.

Vehicle and equipment maintenance areas shall be inspected regularly.

Vehicles and equipment shall be inspected on each day of use. Leaks shall be repaired immediately or the problem vehicle(s) or equipment shall be removed from the project site.

Inspect equipment for damaged hoses and leaky gaskets routinely. Repair or replace as needed.



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### BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Procedures and practices for the proper handling and storage of materials in a manner that minimizes or eliminates the discharge of these materials to the storm drain system or to watercourses.

**Appropriate Applications** These procedures are implemented at all construction sites with delivery and storage of the following:

Hazardous chemicals such as:

- Acids,
- lime,
- glues,
- adhesives,
- paints,
- solvents, and
- curing compounds.

Soil stabilizers and binders.

Fertilizers.

Detergents.

Plaster.

Petroleum products such as fuel, oil, and grease.

Asphalt and concrete components.

Pesticides and herbicides.

Limitations	Other materials that may be detrimental if released to the environment.
	Space limitation may preclude indoor storage.
Standards and Specifications	Storage sheds must meet building & fire code requirements.
	<b>General</b>
	Train employees and subcontractors on the proper material delivery and storage practices.
	Temporary storage area shall be located away from vehicular traffic.

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) shall be supplied to the Resident Engineer (RE) for all materials stored.

## ***Material Storage Areas and Practices***

Liquids, petroleum products, and substances listed in 40 CFR Parts 110, 117, or 302 shall be stored in approved containers and drums and shall be placed in temporary containment facilities for storage.

Throughout the rainy season, each temporary containment facility shall have a permanent cover and side wind protection or be covered during non-working days and prior to and during rain events.

A temporary containment facility shall provide for a spill containment volume able to contain precipitation from a 24-hour, 25-year storm event, plus the greater of 10% of the aggregate volume of all containers or 100% of the capacity of the largest container within its boundary, whichever is greater.

A temporary containment facility shall be impervious to the materials stored therein for a minimum contact time of 72 hours.

A temporary containment facility shall be maintained free of accumulated rainwater and spills. In the event of spills or leaks, accumulated rainwater and spills shall be collected and placed into drums. These liquids shall be handled as a hazardous waste unless testing determines them to be non-hazardous. All collected liquids or non-hazardous liquids shall be sent to an approved disposal site.

Sufficient separation shall be provided between stored containers to allow for spill cleanup and emergency response access.

Incompatible materials, such as chlorine and ammonia, shall not be stored in the same temporary containment facility.

Materials shall be stored in their original containers and the original product labels shall be maintained in place in a legible condition. Damaged or otherwise illegible labels shall be replaced immediately.

Bagged and boxed materials shall be stored on pallets and shall not be allowed to accumulate on the ground. To provide protection from wind and rain, throughout the rainy season, bagged and boxed materials shall be covered during non-working days and prior to rain events.

Stockpiles shall be protected in accordance with BMP WM-3, "Stockpile Management."

Minimize the material inventory stored on-site (e.g., only a few days supply).

Have proper storage instructions posted at all times in an open and conspicuous location.

Do not store hazardous chemicals, drums, or bagged materials directly on the ground. Place these items on a pallet and when possible, under cover in secondary containment.

Keep hazardous chemicals well labeled and in their original containers.

Keep ample supply of appropriate spill clean up material near storage areas.

Also see BMP WM-6, "Hazardous Waste Management", for storing of hazardous materials.

## ***Material Delivery Practices***

Keep an accurate, up-to-date inventory of material delivered and stored on-site.

Employees trained in emergency spill clean-up procedures shall be present when dangerous materials or liquid chemicals are unloaded.

## ***Spill Clean-up***

Contain and clean up any spill immediately.

If significant residual materials remain on the ground after construction is complete, properly remove and dispose any hazardous materials or contaminated soil.

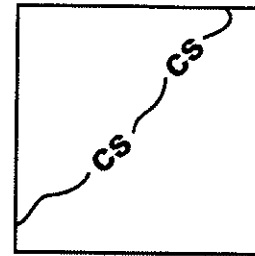
See BMP WM-4, "Spill Prevention and Control", for spills of chemicals and/or hazardous materials.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Storage areas shall be kept clean, well organized, and equipped with ample clean-up supplies as appropriate for the materials being stored.

Perimeter controls, containment structures, covers, and liners shall be repaired or replaced as needed to maintain proper function.

Inspect storage areas before and after rainfall events, and at least weekly during other times. Collect and place into drums any spills or accumulated rainwater.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

Definition and Purpose	Stockpile management procedures and practices are designed to reduce or eliminate air and storm water pollution from stockpiles of soil, and paving materials such as portland cement concrete (PCC) rubble, asphalt concrete (AC), asphalt concrete rubble, aggregate base, aggregate subbase or pre-mixed aggregate, asphalt binder (so called "cold mix" asphalt) and pressure treated wood.
Appropriate Applications	Implemented in all projects that stockpile soil and other materials.
Limitations	None identified
Standards and Specifications	<p>Protection of stockpiles is a year-round requirement.</p> <p>Locate stockpiles a minimum of 15 m (50 ft) away from concentrated flows of storm water, drainage courses, and inlets.</p> <p>Implement wind erosion control practices as appropriate on all stockpiled material. For specific information see BMP WE-1, "Wind Erosion Control."</p> <p>Stockpiles of contaminated soil shall be managed in accordance with BMP WM-7, "Contaminated Soil Management."</p> <p>Bagged materials should be placed on pallets and under cover.</p>

### Protection of Non-Active Stockpiles

Non-active stockpiles of the identified materials shall be protected further as follows:



## *Soil stockpiles:*

- During the rainy seasons, soil stockpiles shall be covered or protected with soil stabilization measures and a temporary perimeter sediment barrier at all times.
- During the non-rainy season, soil stockpiles shall be covered and protected with a temporary perimeter sediment barrier prior to the onset of precipitation.

## *Stockpiles of portland cement concrete rubble, asphalt concrete, asphalt concrete rubble, aggregate base, or aggregate subbase:*

- During the rainy season, the stockpiles shall be covered or protected with a temporary perimeter sediment barrier at all times.
- During the non-rainy season, the stockpiles shall be covered or protected with a temporary perimeter sediment barrier prior to the onset of precipitation.

## *Stockpiles of "cold mix":*

- During the rainy season, cold mix stockpiles shall be placed on and covered with plastic or comparable material at all times.
- During the non-rainy season, cold mix stockpiles shall be placed on and covered with plastic or comparable material prior to the onset of precipitation.

## *Stockpiles/Storage of pressure treated wood with copper, chromium, and arsenic or ammonical, copper, zinc, and arsenate:*

- During the rainy season, treated wood shall be covered with plastic or comparable material at all times.
- During the non-rainy season, treated wood shall be covered with plastic or comparable material and shall be placed on pallets prior to the onset of precipitation.

## **Protection of Active Stockpiles**

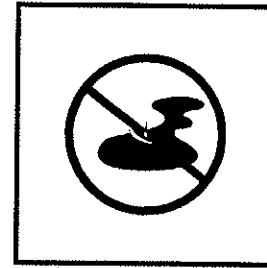
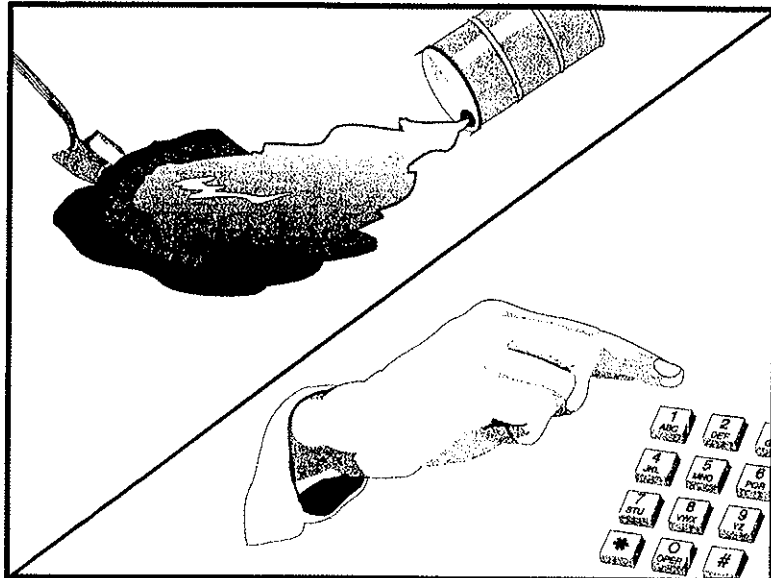
Active stockpiles of the identified materials shall be protected further as follows:

All stockpiles shall be covered, stabilized, or protected with a temporary linear sediment barrier prior to the onset of precipitation.

Stockpiles of "cold mix" shall be placed on and covered with plastic or comparable material prior to the onset of precipitation.

## Maintenance and Inspections

Repair and/or replace perimeter controls and covers as needed, or as directed by the RE, to keep them functioning properly. Sediment shall be removed when sediment accumulation reaches one-third ( $1/3$ ) of the barrier height.



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## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** These procedures and practices are implemented to prevent and control spills in a manner that minimizes or prevents the discharge of spilled material to the drainage system or watercourses.

**Appropriate Application** This best management practice (BMP) applies to all construction projects. Spill control procedures are implemented anytime chemicals and/or hazardous substances are stored. Substances may include, but are not limited to:

Soil stabilizers/binders.

Dust Palliatives.

Herbicides.

Growth inhibitors.

Fertilizers.

Deicing/anti-icing chemicals.

Fuels.

Lubricants.

Other petroleum distillates.

To the extent that the work can be accomplished safely, spills of oil, petroleum products, substances listed under 40 CFR parts 110, 117, and 302, and sanitary and septic wastes shall be contained and cleaned up immediately.

Limitations	<p>This BMP only applies to spills caused by the contractor.</p> <p>Procedures and practices presented in this BMP are general. Contractor shall identify appropriate practices for the specific materials used or stored on-site.</p>
Standards and Specifications	<p>To the extent that it doesn't compromise clean up activities, spills shall be covered and protected from storm water run-on during rainfall.</p> <p>Spills shall not be buried or washed with water.</p> <p>Used clean up materials, contaminated materials, and recovered spill material that is no longer suitable for the intended purpose shall be stored and disposed of in conformance with the special provisions.</p> <p>Water used for cleaning and decontamination shall not be allowed to enter storm drains or watercourses and shall be collected and disposed of in accordance with BMP WM-10, "Liquid Waste Management."</p> <p>Water overflow or minor water spillage shall be contained and shall not be allowed to discharge into drainage facilities or watercourses.</p> <p>Proper storage, clean-up and spill reporting instruction for hazardous materials stored or used on the project site shall be posted at all times in an open, conspicuous and accessible location.</p> <p>Waste storage areas shall be kept clean, well organized and equipped with ample clean-up supplies as appropriate for the materials being stored. Perimeter controls, containment structures, covers and liners shall be repaired or replaced as needed to maintain proper function.</p>

## **Education**

Educate employees and subcontractors on what a "significant spill" is for each material they use, and what is the appropriate response for "significant" and "insignificant" spills.

Educate employees and subcontractors on potential dangers to humans and the environment from spills and leaks.

Hold regular meetings to discuss and reinforce appropriate disposal procedures (incorporate into regular safety meetings).

Establish a continuing education program to indoctrinate new employees.

The Contractor's Water Pollution Control Manager (WPCM) shall oversee and enforce proper spill prevention and control measures.

## *Cleanup and Storage Procedures*

### Minor Spills

- Minor spills typically involve small quantities of oil, gasoline, paint, etc., which can be controlled by the first responder at the discovery of the spill.
- Use absorbent materials on small spills rather than hosing down or burying the spill.
- Remove the absorbent materials promptly and dispose of properly.
- The practice commonly followed for a minor spill is:
  - Contain the spread of the spill.
  - Recover spilled materials.
  - Clean the contaminated area and/or properly dispose of contaminated materials.

### Semi-Significant Spills

- Semi-significant spills still can be controlled by the first responder along with the aid of other personnel such as laborers and the foreman, etc. This response may require the cessation of all other activities.
- Clean up spills immediately:
  - Notify the project foreman immediately. The foreman shall notify the Resident Engineer (RE).
  - Contain spread of the spill.
  - If the spill occurs on paved or impermeable surfaces, clean up using "dry" methods (absorbent materials, cat litter and/or rags). Contain the spill by encircling with absorbent materials and do not let the spill spread widely.
  - If the spill occurs in dirt areas, immediately contain the spill by constructing an earthen dike. Dig up and properly dispose of contaminated soil.
  - If the spill occurs during rain, cover spill with tarps or other material to prevent contaminating runoff.

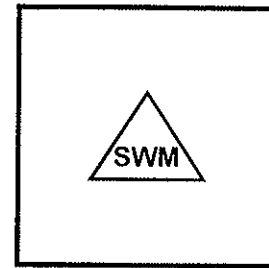
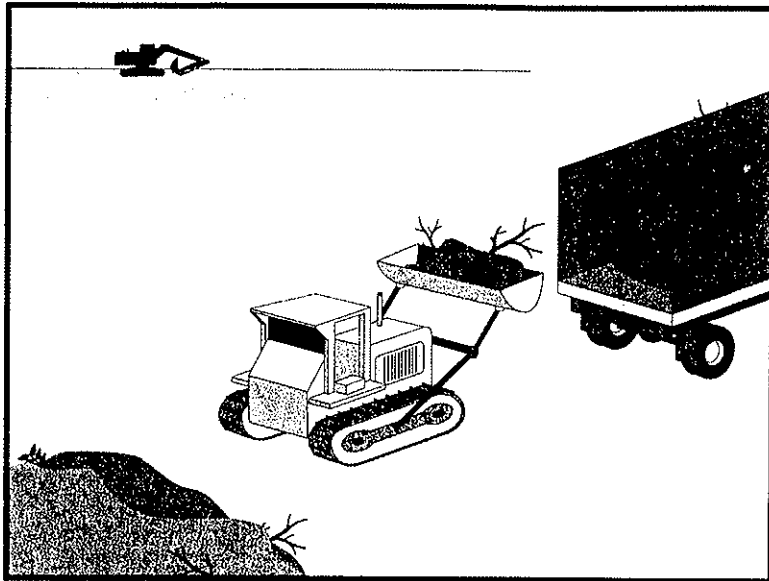
## Significant/Hazardous Spills

- For significant or hazardous spills that cannot be controlled by personnel in the immediate vicinity, the following steps shall be taken:
  - Notify the RE immediately and follow up with a written report.
  - Notify the local emergency response by dialing 911. In addition to 911, the contractor will notify the proper county officials. It is the contractor's responsibility to have all emergency phone numbers at the construction site.
  - Notify the Governor's Office of Emergency Services Warning Center, (805) 852-7550.
  - For spills of federal reportable quantities, in conformance with the requirements in 40 CFR parts 110, 119, and 302, the contractor shall notify the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802.
  - Notification shall first be made by telephone and followed up with a written report.
  - The services of a spills contractor or a Haz-Mat team shall be obtained immediately. Construction personnel shall not attempt to clean up the spill until the appropriate and qualified staff have arrived at the job site.
  - Other agencies which may need to be consulted include, but are not limited to, the Fire Department, the Public Works Department, the Coast Guard, the Highway Patrol, the City/County Police Department, Department of Toxic Substances, California Division of Oil and Gas, Cal/OSHA, RWQCB, etc.

## Maintenance and Inspection

Verify weekly that spill control clean up materials are located near material storage, unloading, and use areas.

Update spill prevention and control plans and stock appropriate clean-up materials whenever changes occur in the types of chemicals used or stored onsite.



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### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

Solid waste management procedures and practices are designed to minimize or eliminate the discharge of pollutants to the drainage system or to watercourses as a result of the creation, stockpiling, or removal of construction site wastes.

### Appropriate Applications

Solid waste management procedures and practices are implemented on all construction projects that generate solid wastes.

Solid wastes include but are not limited to:

Construction wastes including brick, mortar, timber, steel and metal scraps, sawdust, pipe and electrical cuttings, non-hazardous equipment parts, styrofoam and other materials used to transport and package construction materials.

Highway planting wastes, including vegetative material, plant containers, and packaging materials.

Litter, including food containers, beverage cans, coffee cups, paper bags, plastic wrappers, and smoking materials, including litter generated by the public.

### Limitations

Temporary stockpiling of certain construction wastes may not necessitate stringent drainage related controls during the non-rainy season or in desert areas with low rainfall.

## Standards and Specifications *Education*

The Contractor's Water Pollution Control Manager (WPCM) shall oversee and enforce proper solid waste procedures and practices.

Instruct employees and subcontractors on identification of solid waste and hazardous waste.

Educate employees and subcontractors on solid waste storage and disposal procedures.

Hold regular meetings to discuss and reinforce disposal procedures (incorporate into regular safety meetings).

Require that employees and subcontractors follow solid waste handling and storage procedures.

Prohibit littering by employees, subcontractors, and visitors.

Wherever possible, minimize production of solid waste materials.

## *Collection, Storage, and Disposal*

Dumpsters of sufficient size and number shall be provided to contain the solid waste generated by the project and properly serviced.

Littering on the project site shall be prohibited.

To prevent clogging of the storm drainage system litter and debris removal from drainage grates, trash racks, and ditch lines shall be a priority.

Trash receptacles shall be provided in the Contractor's yard, field trailer areas, and at locations where workers congregate for lunch and break periods.

Construction debris and litter from work areas within the construction limits of the project site shall be collected and placed in watertight dumpsters at least weekly regardless of whether the litter was generated by the Contractor, the public, or others. Collected litter and debris shall not be placed in or next to drain inlets, storm water drainage systems or watercourses.

Full dumpsters shall be removed from the project site and the contents shall be disposed of outside the highway right-of-way in conformance with the provisions in the Standard Specifications Section 7-1.13.

Litter stored in collection areas and containers shall be handled and disposed of by trash hauling contractors.

Construction debris and waste shall be removed from the site every two weeks or as directed by the RE.



Construction material visible to the public shall be stored or stacked in an orderly manner to the satisfaction of the RE.

Storm water run-on shall be prevented from contacting stored solid waste through the use of berms, dikes, or other temporary diversion structures or through the use of measures to elevate waste from site surfaces.

Solid waste storage areas shall be located at least 15 m (50 ft) from drainage facilities and watercourses and shall not be located in areas prone to flooding or ponding.

Except during fair weather, construction and highway planting waste not stored in watertight dumpsters shall be securely covered from wind and rain by covering the waste with tarps or plastic sheeting or protected in conformance with the applicable Disturbed Soil Area protection section.

Dumpster washout on the project site is not allowed.

Notify trash hauling contractors that only watertight dumpsters are acceptable for use on-site.

Plan for additional containers during the demolition phase of construction.

Plan for more frequent pickup during the demolition phase of construction.

Construction waste shall be stored in a designated area approved by the RE.

Segregate potentially hazardous waste from non-hazardous construction site waste.

Keep the site clean of litter debris.

Make sure that toxic liquid wastes (e.g., used oils, solvents, and paints) and chemicals (e.g., acids, pesticides, additives, curing compounds) are not disposed of in dumpsters designated for construction debris.

Dispose of non-hazardous waste in accordance with Standard Specification 7-1.13, Disposal of Material Outside the Highway Right of Way.

For disposal of hazardous waste, see BMP WM-6, "Hazardous Waste Management." Have hazardous waste hauled to an appropriate disposal and/or recycling facility.

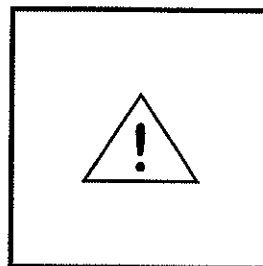
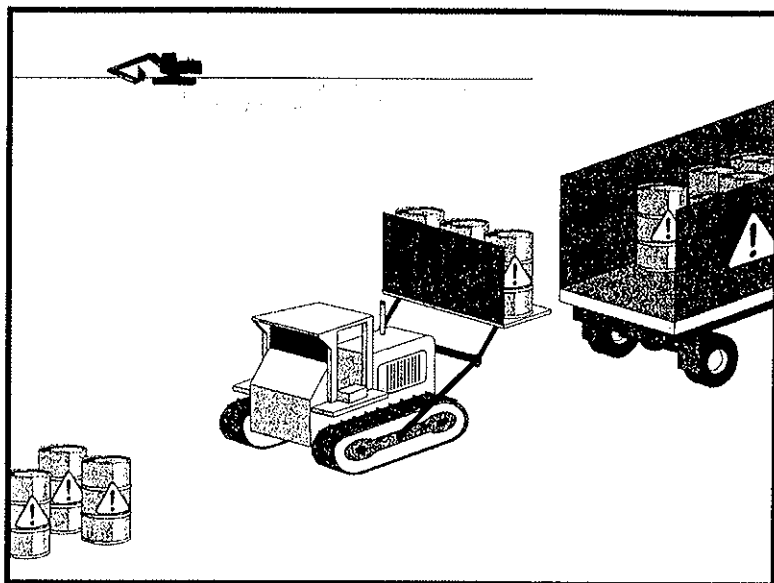
Salvage or recycle useful vegetation debris, packaging and/or surplus building materials when practical. For example, trees and shrubs from land clearing can be converted into wood chips, then used as mulch on graded areas. Wood pallets, cardboard boxes, and construction scraps can also be recycled.

## Maintenance and Inspection

The WPCM shall monitor onsite solid waste storage and disposal procedures.

Police site for litter and debris.





Standard Symbol

## BMP Objectives

Soil Stabilization  
Sediment Control  
Tracking Control  
Wind Erosion Control  
Non-Storm Water Management  
Materials and Waste Management

### Definition and Purpose

These are procedures and practices to minimize or eliminate the discharge of pollutants from construction site hazardous waste to the storm drain systems or to watercourses.

### Appropriate Applications

This best management practice (BMP) applies to all construction projects.

Hazardous waste management practices are implemented on construction projects that generate waste from the use of:

- Petroleum Products,
- Asphalt Products,
- Concrete Curing Compounds,
- Pesticides,
- Acids,
- Paints,
- Stains,
- Solvents,
- Wood Preservatives,
- Roofing Tar, or
- Any materials deemed a hazardous waste in California, Title 22 Division 4.5, or listed in 40 CFR Parts 110, 117, 261, or 302.

**Limitations** Nothing in this BMP relieves the Contractor from responsibility for compliance with federal, state, and local laws regarding storage, handling, transportation, and disposal of hazardous wastes.

This BMP does not cover aerially deposited lead (ADL) soils. For ADL soils refer to BMP WM-7, "Contaminated Soil Management," and the project special provisions.

**Standards and Specifications** **Education**

Educate employees and subcontractors on hazardous waste storage and disposal procedures.

Educate employees and subcontractors on potential dangers to humans and the environment from hazardous wastes.

Instruct employees and subcontractors on safety procedures for common construction site hazardous wastes.

Instruct employees and subcontractors in identification of hazardous and solid waste.

Hold regular meetings to discuss and reinforce hazardous waste management procedures (incorporate into regular safety meetings).

The Contractor's Water Pollution Control Manager (WPCM) shall oversee and enforce proper hazardous waste management procedures and practices.

Make sure that hazardous waste is collected, removed, and disposed of only at authorized disposal areas.

**Storage Procedures**

Wastes shall be stored in sealed containers constructed of a suitable material and shall be labeled as required by Title 22 CCR, Division 4.5 and 49 CFR Parts 172, 173, 178, and 179.

All hazardous waste shall be stored, transported, and disposed as required in Title 22 CCR, Division 4.5 and 49 CFR 261-263.

Waste containers shall be stored in temporary containment facilities that shall comply with the following requirements:

- Temporary containment facility shall provide for a spill containment volume able to contain precipitation from a 24-hour, 25 year storm event, plus the greater of 10% of the aggregate volume of all containers or 100% of the capacity of the largest tank within its boundary, whichever is greater.

- Temporary containment facility shall be impervious to the materials stored there for a minimum contact time of 72 hours.
- Temporary containment facilities shall be maintained free of accumulated rainwater and spills. In the event of spills or leaks accumulated rainwater and spills shall be placed into drums after each rainfall. These liquids shall be handled as a hazardous waste unless testing determines them to be non-hazardous. Non-hazardous liquids shall be sent to an approved disposal site.
- Sufficient separation shall be provided between stored containers to allow for spill cleanup and emergency response access.
- Incompatible materials, such as chlorine and ammonia, shall not be stored in the same temporary containment facility.
- Throughout the rainy season, temporary containment facilities shall be covered during non-working days, and prior to rain events. Covered facilities may include use of plastic tarps for small facilities or constructed roofs with overhangs. A storage facility having a solid cover and sides is preferred to a temporary tarp. Storage facilities shall be equipped with adequate ventilation.

Drums shall not be overfilled and wastes shall not be mixed.

Unless watertight, containers of dry waste shall be stored on pallets.

Paint brushes and equipment for water and oil based paints shall be cleaned within a contained area and shall not be allowed to contaminate site soils, watercourses or drainage systems. Waste paints, thinners, solvents, residues, and sludges that cannot be recycled or reused shall be disposed of as hazardous waste. When thoroughly dry, latex paint and paint cans, used brushes, rags, absorbent materials, and drop cloths shall be disposed of as solid waste.

Ensure that adequate hazardous waste storage volume is available.

Ensure that hazardous waste collection containers are conveniently located.

Designate hazardous waste storage areas on site away from storm drains or watercourses and away from moving vehicles and equipment to prevent accidental spills.

Minimize production or generation of hazardous materials and hazardous waste on the job site.

Use containment berms in fueling and maintenance areas and where the potential for spills is high.

Segregate potentially hazardous waste from non-hazardous construction site debris.

Keep liquid or semi-liquid hazardous waste in appropriate containers (closed drums or similar) and under cover.

Clearly label all hazardous waste containers with the waste being stored and the date of accumulation.

Place hazardous waste containers in secondary containment.

Do not allow potentially hazardous waste materials to accumulate on the ground.

Do not mix wastes.

## ***Disposal Procedures***

Waste shall be disposed of outside the highway right-of-way within 90 days of being generated, or as directed by the Resident Engineer (RE). In no case shall hazardous waste storage exceed requirements in Title 22 CCR, Section 66262.34.

Waste shall be disposed of by a licensed hazardous waste transporter at an authorized and licensed disposal facility or recycling facility utilizing properly completed Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest forms.

A Department of Health Services (DHS) certified laboratory shall sample waste and classify it to determine the appropriate disposal facility.

Make sure that toxic liquid wastes (e.g., used oils, solvents, and paints) and chemicals (e.g., acids, pesticides, additives, curing compounds) are not disposed of in dumpsters designated for solid waste construction debris.

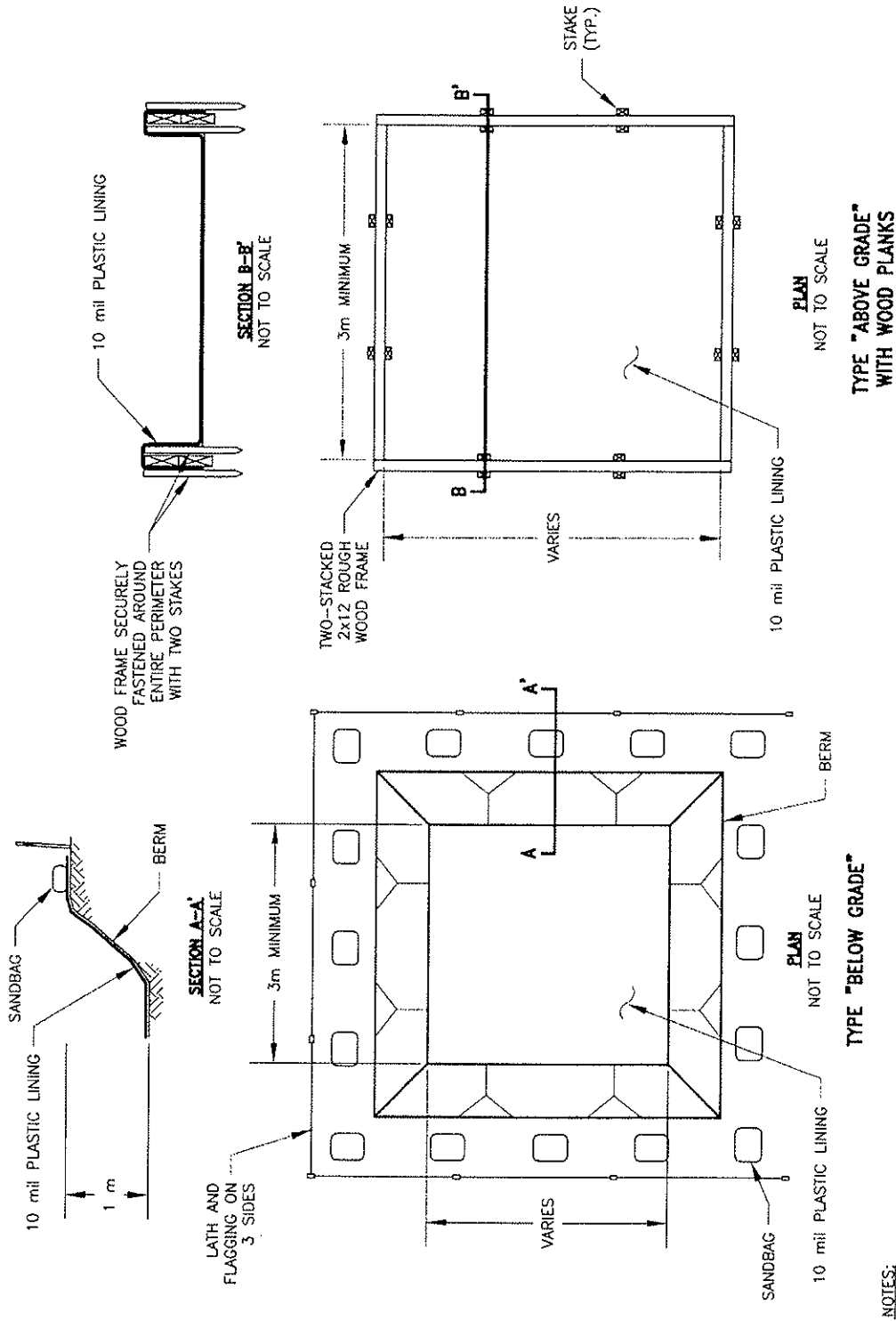
Properly dispose of rainwater in secondary containment that may have mixed with hazardous waste.

Recycle any useful material such as used oil or water-based paint when practical.

Attention is directed to "Hazardous Material", "Contaminated Material", and "Aerially Deposited Lead" of the contract documents regarding the handling and disposal of hazardous materials.

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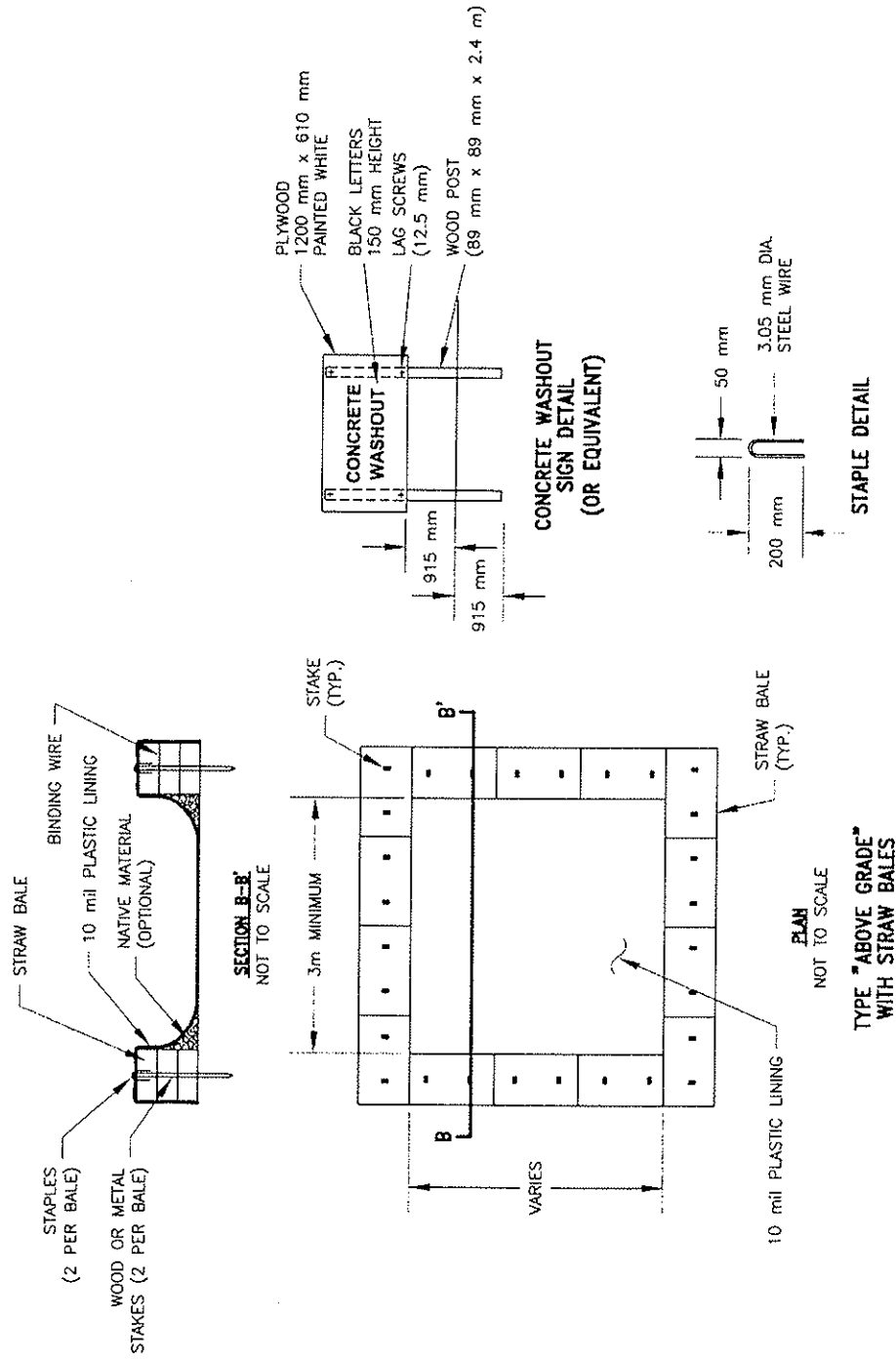


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2. THE CONCRETE WASHOUT SIGN (SEE PAGE 6) SHALL BE INSTALLED WITHIN 10 m OF THE TEMPORARY CONCRETE WASHOUT FACILITY.

# Concrete Waste Management

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## Maintenance and Inspection

A foreman and/or construction supervisor shall monitor on-site hazardous waste storage and disposal procedures.

Waste storage areas shall be kept clean, well organized, and equipped with ample clean-up supplies as appropriate for the materials being stored.

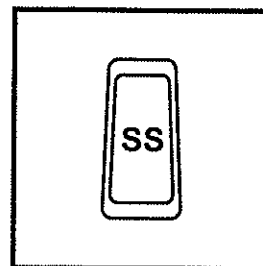
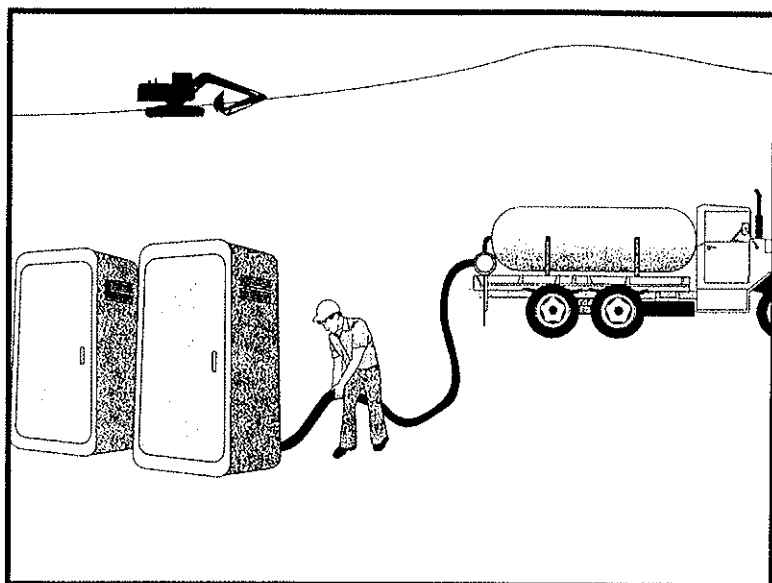
Storage areas shall be inspected in conformance with the provisions in the contract documents.

Perimeter controls, containment structures, covers, and liners shall be repaired or replaced as needed to maintain proper function.

Hazardous spills shall be cleaned up and reported in conformance with the applicable Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) and the instructions posted at the project site.

The National Response Center, at (800) 424-8802, shall be notified of spills of Federal reportable quantities in conformance with the requirements in 40 CFR parts 110, 117, and 302.

Copy of the hazardous waste manifests shall be provided to the RE.



Standard Symbol

### BMP Objectives

- Soil Stabilization
- Sediment Control
- Tracking Control
- Wind Erosion Control
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Materials and Waste Management

**Definition and Purpose** Procedures and practices to minimize or eliminate the discharge of construction site sanitary/septic waste materials to the storm drain system or to watercourses.

**Appropriate Applications** Sanitary/septic waste management practices are implemented on all construction sites that use temporary or portable sanitary/septic waste systems.

**Limitations** None identified.

### Standards and Specifications

#### **Education**

Educate employees, subcontractors, and suppliers on sanitary/septic waste storage and disposal procedures.

Educate employees, subcontractors, and suppliers of potential dangers to humans and the environment from sanitary/septic wastes.

Instruct employees, subcontractors, and suppliers in identification of sanitary/septic waste.

Hold regular meetings to discuss and reinforce disposal procedures (incorporate into regular safety meetings).

Establish a continuing education program to indoctrinate new employees.

#### **Storage and Disposal Procedures**

Temporary sanitary facilities shall be located away from drainage facilities, watercourses, and from traffic circulation. When subjected to high winds or risk.

Wastewater shall not be discharged or buried within the highway right-of-way.

Sanitary and septic systems that discharge directly into sanitary sewer systems, where permissible, shall comply with the local health agency, city, county, and sewer district requirements.

If using an on site disposal system, such as a septic system, comply with local health agency requirements.

Properly connect temporary sanitary facilities that discharge to the sanitary sewer system to avoid illicit discharges.

Ensure that sanitary/septic facilities are maintained in good working order by a licensed service.

Use only reputable, licensed sanitary/septic waste haulers.

## Maintenance and Inspection

The Contractor's Water Pollution Control Manager (WPCM) shall monitor onsite sanitary/septic waste storage and disposal procedures at least weekly.



## Design Considerations

- Tributary Area
- Area Required
- Slope
- Water Availability

## Description

Vegetated swales are open, shallow channels with vegetation covering the side slopes and bottom that collect and slowly convey runoff flow to downstream discharge points. They are designed to treat runoff through filtering by the vegetation in the channel, filtering through a subsoil matrix, and/or infiltration into the underlying soils. Swales can be natural or manmade. They trap particulate pollutants (suspended solids and trace metals), promote infiltration, and reduce the flow velocity of stormwater runoff. Vegetated swales can serve as part of a stormwater drainage system and can replace curbs, gutters and storm sewer systems.

## California Experience

Caltrans constructed and monitored six vegetated swales in southern California. These swales were generally effective in reducing the volume and mass of pollutants in runoff. Even in the areas where the annual rainfall was only about 10 inches/yr, the vegetation did not require additional irrigation. One factor that strongly affected performance was the presence of large numbers of gophers at most of the sites. The gophers created earthen mounds, destroyed vegetation, and generally reduced the effectiveness of the controls for TSS reduction.

## Advantages

- If properly designed, vegetated, and operated, swales can serve as an aesthetic, potentially inexpensive urban development or roadway drainage conveyance measure with significant collateral water quality benefits.

## Targeted Constituents

✓	Sediment	▲
✓	Nutrients	●
✓	Trash	●
✓	Metals	▲
✓	Bacteria	●
✓	Oil and Grease	▲
✓	Organics	▲

## Legend (Removal Effectiveness)

- Low
- High
- ▲ Medium



- Roadside ditches should be regarded as significant potential swale/buffer strip sites and should be utilized for this purpose whenever possible.

**Limitations**

- Can be difficult to avoid channelization.
- May not be appropriate for industrial sites or locations where spills may occur
- Grassed swales cannot treat a very large drainage area. Large areas may be divided and treated using multiple swales.
- A thick vegetative cover is needed for these practices to function properly.
- They are impractical in areas with steep topography.
- They are not effective and may even erode when flow velocities are high, if the grass cover is not properly maintained.
- In some places, their use is restricted by law: many local municipalities require curb and gutter systems in residential areas.
- Swales are more susceptible to failure if not properly maintained than other treatment BMPs.

**Design and Sizing Guidelines**

- Flow rate based design determined by local requirements or sized so that 85% of the annual runoff volume is discharged at less than the design rainfall intensity.
- Swale should be designed so that the water level does not exceed 2/3rds the height of the grass or 4 inches, whichever is less, at the design treatment rate.
- Longitudinal slopes should not exceed 2.5%
- Trapezoidal channels are normally recommended but other configurations, such as parabolic, can also provide substantial water quality improvement and may be easier to mow than designs with sharp breaks in slope.
- Swales constructed in cut are preferred, or in fill areas that are far enough from an adjacent slope to minimize the potential for gopher damage. Do not use side slopes constructed of fill, which are prone to structural damage by gophers and other burrowing animals.
- A diverse selection of low growing, plants that thrive under the specific site, climatic, and watering conditions should be specified. Vegetation whose growing season corresponds to the wet season are preferred. Drought tolerant vegetation should be considered especially for swales that are not part of a regularly irrigated landscaped area.
- The width of the swale should be determined using Manning's Equation using a value of 0.25 for Manning's n.

## ***Construction/Inspection Considerations***

- Include directions in the specifications for use of appropriate fertilizer and soil amendments based on soil properties determined through testing and compared to the needs of the vegetation requirements.
- Install swales at the time of the year when there is a reasonable chance of successful establishment without irrigation; however, it is recognized that rainfall in a given year may not be sufficient and temporary irrigation may be used.
- If sod tiles must be used, they should be placed so that there are no gaps between the tiles; stagger the ends of the tiles to prevent the formation of channels along the swale or strip.
- Use a roller on the sod to ensure that no air pockets form between the sod and the soil.
- Where seeds are used, erosion controls will be necessary to protect seeds for at least 75 days after the first rainfall of the season.

## **Performance**

The literature suggests that vegetated swales represent a practical and potentially effective technique for controlling urban runoff quality. While limited quantitative performance data exists for vegetated swales, it is known that check dams, slight slopes, permeable soils, dense grass cover, increased contact time, and small storm events all contribute to successful pollutant removal by the swale system. Factors decreasing the effectiveness of swales include compacted soils, short runoff contact time, large storm events, frozen ground, short grass heights, steep slopes, and high runoff velocities and discharge rates.

Conventional vegetated swale designs have achieved mixed results in removing particulate pollutants. A study performed by the Nationwide Urban Runoff Program (NURP) monitored three grass swales in the Washington, D.C., area and found no significant improvement in urban runoff quality for the pollutants analyzed. However, the weak performance of these swales was attributed to the high flow velocities in the swales, soil compaction, steep slopes, and short grass height.

Another project in Durham, NC, monitored the performance of a carefully designed artificial swale that received runoff from a commercial parking lot. The project tracked 11 storms and concluded that particulate concentrations of heavy metals (Cu, Pb, Zn, and Cd) were reduced by approximately 50 percent. However, the swale proved largely ineffective for removing soluble nutrients.

The effectiveness of vegetated swales can be enhanced by adding check dams at approximately 17 meter (50 foot) increments along their length (See Figure 1). These dams maximize the retention time within the swale, decrease flow velocities, and promote particulate settling. Finally, the incorporation of vegetated filter strips parallel to the top of the channel banks can help to treat sheet flows entering the swale.

Only 9 studies have been conducted on all grassed channels designed for water quality (Table 1). The data suggest relatively high removal rates for some pollutants, but negative removals for some bacteria, and fair performance for phosphorus.

**Table 1 Grassed swale pollutant removal efficiency data**

Removal Efficiencies (% Removal)							
Study	TSS	TP	TN	NO <sub>3</sub>	Metals	Bacteria	Type
Caltrans 2002	77	8	67	66	83-90	-33	dry swales
Goldberg 1993	67.8	4.5	-	31.4	42-62	-100	grassed channel
Seattle Metro and Washington Department of Ecology 1992	60	45	-	-25	2-16	-25	grassed channel
Seattle Metro and Washington Department of Ecology, 1992	83	29	-	-25	46-73	-25	grassed channel
Wang et al., 1981	80	-	-	-	70-80	-	dry swale
Dorman et al., 1989	98	18	-	45	37-81	-	dry swale
Harper, 1988	87	83	84	80	88-90	-	dry swale
Kercher et al., 1983	99	99	99	99	99	-	dry swale
Harper, 1988.	81	17	40	52	37-69	-	wet swale
Koon, 1995	67	39	-	9	-35 to 6	-	wet swale

While it is difficult to distinguish between different designs based on the small amount of available data, grassed channels generally have poorer removal rates than wet and dry swales, although some swales appear to export soluble phosphorus (Harper, 1988; Koon, 1995). It is not clear why swales export bacteria. One explanation is that bacteria thrive in the warm swale soils.

### Siting Criteria

The suitability of a swale at a site will depend on land use, size of the area serviced, soil type, slope, imperviousness of the contributing watershed, and dimensions and slope of the swale system (Schueler et al., 1992). In general, swales can be used to serve areas of less than 10 acres, with slopes no greater than 5 %. Use of natural topographic lows is encouraged and natural drainage courses should be regarded as significant local resources to be kept in use (Young et al., 1996).

### Selection Criteria (NCTCOG, 1993)

- Comparable performance to wet basins
- Limited to treating a few acres
- Availability of water during dry periods to maintain vegetation
- Sufficient available land area

Research in the Austin area indicates that vegetated controls are effective at removing pollutants even when dormant. Therefore, irrigation is not required to maintain growth during dry periods, but may be necessary only to prevent the vegetation from dying.

The topography of the site should permit the design of a channel with appropriate slope and cross-sectional area. Site topography may also dictate a need for additional structural controls. Recommendations for longitudinal slopes range between 2 and 6 percent. Flatter slopes can be used, if sufficient to provide adequate conveyance. Steep slopes increase flow velocity, decrease detention time, and may require energy dissipating and grade check. Steep slopes also can be managed using a series of check dams to terrace the swale and reduce the slope to within acceptable limits. The use of check dams with swales also promotes infiltration.

## **Additional Design Guidelines**

Most of the design guidelines adopted for swale design specify a minimum hydraulic residence time of 9 minutes. This criterion is based on the results of a single study conducted in Seattle, Washington (Seattle Metro and Washington Department of Ecology, 1992), and is not well supported. Analysis of the data collected in that study indicates that pollutant removal at a residence time of 5 minutes was not significantly different, although there is more variability in that data. Therefore, additional research in the design criteria for swales is needed. Substantial pollutant removal has also been observed for vegetated controls designed solely for conveyance (Barrett et al, 1998); consequently, some flexibility in the design is warranted.

Many design guidelines recommend that grass be frequently mowed to maintain dense coverage near the ground surface. Recent research (Colwell et al., 2000) has shown mowing frequency or grass height has little or no effect on pollutant removal.

## **Summary of Design Recommendations**

- 1) The swale should have a length that provides a minimum hydraulic residence time of at least 10 minutes. The maximum bottom width should not exceed 10 feet unless a dividing berm is provided. The depth of flow should not exceed 2/3rds the height of the grass at the peak of the water quality design storm intensity. The channel slope should not exceed 2.5%.
- 2) A design grass height of 6 inches is recommended.
- 3) Regardless of the recommended detention time, the swale should be not less than 100 feet in length.
- 4) The width of the swale should be determined using Manning's Equation, at the peak of the design storm, using a Manning's n of 0.25.
- 5) The swale can be sized as both a treatment facility for the design storm and as a conveyance system to pass the peak hydraulic flows of the 100-year storm if it is located "on-line." The side slopes should be no steeper than 3:1 (H:V).
- 6) Roadside ditches should be regarded as significant potential swale/buffer strip sites and should be utilized for this purpose whenever possible. If flow is to be introduced through curb cuts, place pavement slightly above the elevation of the vegetated areas. Curb cuts should be at least 12 inches wide to prevent clogging.
- 7) Swales must be vegetated in order to provide adequate treatment of runoff. It is important to maximize water contact with vegetation and the soil surface. For general purposes, select fine, close-growing, water-resistant grasses. If possible, divert runoff (other than necessary irrigation) during the period of vegetation



establishment. Where runoff diversion is not possible, cover graded and seeded areas with suitable erosion control materials.

### **Maintenance**

The useful life of a vegetated swale system is directly proportional to its maintenance frequency. If properly designed and regularly maintained, vegetated swales can last indefinitely. The maintenance objectives for vegetated swale systems include keeping up the hydraulic and removal efficiency of the channel and maintaining a dense, healthy grass cover.

Maintenance activities should include periodic mowing (with grass never cut shorter than the design flow depth), weed control, watering during drought conditions, reseeding of bare areas, and clearing of debris and blockages. Cuttings should be removed from the channel and disposed in a local composting facility. Accumulated sediment should also be removed manually to avoid concentrated flows in the swale. The application of fertilizers and pesticides should be minimal.

Another aspect of a good maintenance plan is repairing damaged areas within a channel. For example, if the channel develops ruts or holes, it should be repaired utilizing a suitable soil that is properly tamped and seeded. The grass cover should be thick; if it is not, reseed as necessary. Any standing water removed during the maintenance operation must be disposed to a sanitary sewer at an approved discharge location. Residuals (e.g., silt, grass cuttings) must be disposed in accordance with local or State requirements. Maintenance of grassed swales mostly involves maintenance of the grass or wetland plant cover. Typical maintenance activities are summarized below:

- Inspect swales at least twice annually for erosion, damage to vegetation, and sediment and debris accumulation preferably at the end of the wet season to schedule summer maintenance and before major fall runoff to be sure the swale is ready for winter. However, additional inspection after periods of heavy runoff is desirable. The swale should be checked for debris and litter, and areas of sediment accumulation.
- Grass height and mowing frequency may not have a large impact on pollutant removal. Consequently, mowing may only be necessary once or twice a year for safety or aesthetics or to suppress weeds and woody vegetation.
- Trash tends to accumulate in swale areas, particularly along highways. The need for litter removal is determined through periodic inspection, but litter should always be removed prior to mowing.
- Sediment accumulating near culverts and in channels should be removed when it builds up to 75 mm (3 in.) at any spot, or covers vegetation.
- Regularly inspect swales for pools of standing water. Swales can become a nuisance due to mosquito breeding in standing water if obstructions develop (e.g. debris accumulation, invasive vegetation) and/or if proper drainage slopes are not implemented and maintained.

## **Cost**

### ***Construction Cost***

Little data is available to estimate the difference in cost between various swale designs. One study (SWRPC, 1991) estimated the construction cost of grassed channels at approximately \$0.25 per ft<sup>2</sup>. This price does not include design costs or contingencies. Brown and Schueler (1997) estimate these costs at approximately 32 percent of construction costs for most stormwater management practices. For swales, however, these costs would probably be significantly higher since the construction costs are so low compared with other practices. A more realistic estimate would be a total cost of approximately \$0.50 per ft<sup>2</sup>, which compares favorably with other stormwater management practices.

Table 2 Swale Cost Estimate (SEWRPC, 1991)

Component	Unit	Extent	Unit Cost				Total Cost		
			Low	Moderate	High		Low	Moderate	High
Mobilization / Demobilization-Light	Swale	1	\$107	\$274	\$441		\$107	\$274	\$441
Site Preparation									
Clearing <sup>a</sup> .....	Acre	0.5	\$2,200	\$3,800	\$5,400		\$1,100	\$1,900	\$2,700
Grubbing <sup>b</sup> .....	Acre	0.25	\$3,800	\$5,200	\$6,600		\$950	\$1,300	\$1,650
General.....	Yd <sup>3</sup>	372	\$2.10	\$3.70	\$5.30		\$781	\$1,376	\$1,972
Excavation <sup>c</sup> .....	Yd <sup>3</sup>	1,210	\$0.20	\$0.35	\$0.50		\$242	\$424	\$605
Level and Till <sup>d</sup> .....									
Sites Development									
Salvaged Topsoil	Yd <sup>2</sup>	1,210	\$0.40	\$1.00	\$1.60		\$484	\$1,210	\$1,936
Seed, and Mulch <sup>e</sup> .....	Yd <sup>2</sup>	1,210	\$1.20	\$2.40	\$3.60		\$1,452	\$2,904	\$4,356
Subtotal	--	--	--	--	--		\$5,116	\$9,388	\$13,680
Contingencies	Swale	1	25%	25%	25%		\$1,279	\$2,347	\$3,415
Total	--	--	--	--	--		\$6,395	\$11,735	\$17,075

Source: (SEWRPC, 1991)

Note: Mobilization/demobilization refers to the organization and planning involved in establishing a vegetative swale.

<sup>a</sup> Swale has a bottom width of 1.0 foot, a top width of 10 feet with 1:3 side slopes, and a 1,000-foot length.<sup>b</sup> Area cleared = (top width + 10 feet) x swale length<sup>c</sup> Area grubbed = (top width x swale length).<sup>d</sup> Volume excavated = (0.67 x top width x swale depth) x swale length (parabolic cross-section).<sup>e</sup> Area filled = (top width +  $\frac{8(\text{swale depth})^2}{3(\text{top width})}$ ) x swale length (parabolic cross-section).<sup>f</sup> Area seeded = area cleared x 0.5.<sup>g</sup> Area sodded = area cleared x 0.5.

# Vegetated Swale

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Table 3 Estimated Maintenance Costs (SEWRPC, 1991)

Component	Unit Cost	Swale Size (Depth and Top Width)		Comment
		1.5 Foot Depth, One-Foot Bottom Width, 10-Foot Top Width	3-Foot Depth, 3-Foot Bottom Width, 21-Foot Top Width	
Lawn Mowing	\$0.85 / 1,000 ft <sup>2</sup> /mowing	\$0.14 / linear foot	\$0.21 / linear foot	Lawn maintenance area = (top width + 10 feet) x length. Mow eight times per year
General Lawn Care	\$9.00 / 1,000 ft <sup>2</sup> /year	\$0.18 / linear foot	\$0.28 / linear foot	Lawn maintenance area = (top width + 10 feet) x length
Swale Debris and Litter Removal	\$0.10 / linear foot / year	\$0.10 / linear foot	\$0.10 / linear foot	-
Grass Reseeding with Mulch and Fertilizer	\$0.30 / yd <sup>2</sup>	\$0.01 / linear foot	\$0.01 / linear foot	Area revegetated equals 1% of lawn maintenance area per year
Program Administration and Swale Inspection	\$0.15 / linear foot / year, plus \$25 / inspection	\$0.15 / linear foot	\$0.15 / linear foot	Inspect four times per year
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0.58 / linear foot</b>	<b>\$0.75 / linear foot</b>	-

**Maintenance Cost**

Caltrans (2002) estimated the expected annual maintenance cost for a swale with a tributary area of approximately 2 ha at approximately \$2,700. Since almost all maintenance consists of mowing, the cost is fundamentally a function of the mowing frequency. Unit costs developed by SEWRPC are shown in Table 3. In many cases vegetated channels would be used to convey runoff and would require periodic mowing as well, so there may be little additional cost for the water quality component. Since essentially all the activities are related to vegetation management, no special training is required for maintenance personnel.

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